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Residents Have a Say On Downtown's Future In Two Town Meetings

What do Princeton residents want their downtown to look like? Some answers to this question were revealed through information gathered at two meetings held last Wednesday at the Nassau Inn and Princeton University.

Four essential major points came out of the questionnaires and visual preference surveys filled out by close to 300 office holders, volunteers on municipal boards and agencies, and residents who attended the lunchtime and evening events.

The first is that there is an acceptance and desire to complete the four major downtown projects, said Anton Nelessen, a professor in Rutgers University's Urban Planning Department. Prof. Nelessen, who lives on Bank Street and whose office is on Nassau Street, developed and presented the town meeting for the Free Enterprise Foundation of the Chamber of Commerce of the Princeton Area.

The four projects are the library, which had the highest acceptance at more than 90 percent; the Arts Council expansion; the long-empty site on Paul Robeson Place between Chambers and Witherspoon Streets, still tagged for 97 residential units; and the Nassau Inn addition. The latter two are part of the Palmer Square redevelopment plan.

New development that is "sensitively designed" was also deemed important by those filling out the questionnaire and visual preference survey. The latter showed 107 computer-generated images of buildings and streetscapes on a large screen, and asked the audience to rate them on a scale of minus-ten to plus-ten.

The second major finding is that people want new buildings in the downtown to be lower than the five stories permitted by Borough zoning. Two or three stories were the preferred height. This would make certain that new development matched the scale of the present downtown streetscape.

Third, said Mr. Nelessen, there

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Future Debt Payments Mapped Out by Council

The debt management plan adopted last week by Borough Council does two things. First, it caps at \$150,000 the amount the Borough will add each year to the tax bill to pay debt service generated by the cost of borrowing for capital improvements.

Second, it provides a framework for Council each time the siren song of a new capital item becomes too powerful. If the Borough indeed will not increase taxes more than \$150,000 each year to pay its debt, it will either have to resist this song or eliminate something from its five-year capital improvement plan. A third option would be to amend the plan to raise more money from taxes. This did not appear to be a popular option at the December 7 meeting.

The Borough's capital improvement plan includes funding for road reconstruction and repair, library expansion, firefighting equipment, recreation, equipment and special services, and police. An average of a little over \$3 million a year is tagged for capital expenditures through 2005.

The stresses on the debt management plan are already beginning, warned Mayor Marvin Reed. The School Board capital plan does not include the continuing operation of the Valley Road building, he said, "and I have already heard people saying that the Township and Borough should take it over and use it as a community center." The Township will move from the Valley Road building as soon as its new municipal building is completed.

The Mayor sounded an alert that Council will have to be prepared for requests such as this when the Township and School Board move out of the Valley Road building in two or three years.

"Every week people are suggesting new capital expenditures the Borough should take on," he added. "The only way to deal with this is through a fairly strict debt management plan."

Mayor Reed also told Council of a "rumor" he had heard that the \$12 million price tag for the library will not buy what Princeton wants. Given this, will the Township and Borough increase its pledge, or will the private sector be tapped for a greater share, he asked. If the burden falls on the municipalities, he continued, the Borough would have to adjust its contribution — and its debt management plan.

The Mayor noted that there was nothing in the five-year capital improvement plan that dealt with an open space tax or an additional capital expenditure for land acquisition.

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Board of Ed Discusses District Collaboration With Two Pre-Schools

Members of the regional school board were expected to approve a resolution at their meeting of December 14, spelling out the terms of a collaboration with two early childhood programs in Princeton — Princeton Nursery School and the YWCA Multi-Cultural Day Care Center.

The collaboration — or partnership — would be undertaken "to ensure that the early childhood education provided to all the children in our district will excel and provide an excellent preparation of all our children for kindergarten," according to the resolution.

Not on the original board agenda, the resolution was drafted following discussions held last week between representatives of the two pre-schools, PRS board members, and Jeffrey Graber, regional schools assistant superintendent for curriculum and development.

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STANDING IN AWE of the thousands of lights illuminating the Lewis School's Tree of Lights at the annual tree lighting celebration on Friday evening is Elizabeth Lapidow, age 7, of Lawrenceville.

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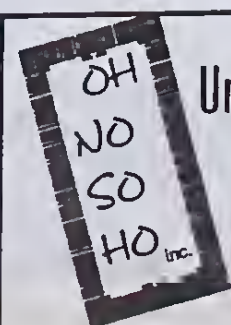
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ADDITION IS TOPIC: The proposed new addition to the Arts Council was the subject at an informal Planning Board meeting. The portion of the new addition that faces Paul Robeson Place is of blue tile and features five doors and five windows, as well as a 50-foot illuminated tower. The balance of the addition is a reddish shade that will blend with the existing brick building.

Arts Council Expansion Is Focus of Continuing Discussion

When the Arts Council came to the Planning Board in September for a second concept review of its proposed addition, comments by Board members and several neighbors in the audience focused on two things: the availability of parking and the size of the new structure.

As the Planning Board awaits the Arts Council's final application, it has decided to hold informal meetings to thrash out these concerns, as well as any others that might arise.

The first of these meetings was held last Wednesday afternoon, and drew representatives of the Arts Council

and Michael Graves's architectural firm, as well as several neighbors. Mr. Graves is the architect for the new addition.

The meeting took place at a time when the Arts Council is seemingly going in two separate directions. It is working on completing its final application to submit to the Planning Board while simultaneously considering a new location. After the September meeting, Arts Council officials said they had found two new sites which they would seriously consider if forced to scale back the size of their proposed addition.

The 10,000 square foot addition to the current

building on Witherspoon Street and Paul Robeson Place would be the only Graves-designed public building in Princeton, where the architect lives and works. It includes a new public entrance lobby, 200-seat auditorium, gallery, and additional studio and exhibition space.

that will be generated by the new theater, particularly in light of its use two nights a week. "Even if parking is accommodated," she added, "we have to be realistic. Some people park on these

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The amount of parking the Arts Council could be re-

TOPICS Of the Town

quired to provide is not spelled out in any ordinance. Rather, the Planning Board has the right to set the figure.

Arts Council representatives were questioned about the amount of additional parking that would be needed with the construction of the addition. Most of the requirement for parking would be generated by the new 200-seat theater. This will be used two times a week — once on a weekday and once on a weekend — throughout the year. It would offer a film series and musical groups, but will not be equipped to present live theater. It would also be available for use by community groups.

Peter Bienstock, chairman of the Arts Council's fund-raising committee, said the building's current 120-seat Loft Theater and the new venue would not be used simultaneously.

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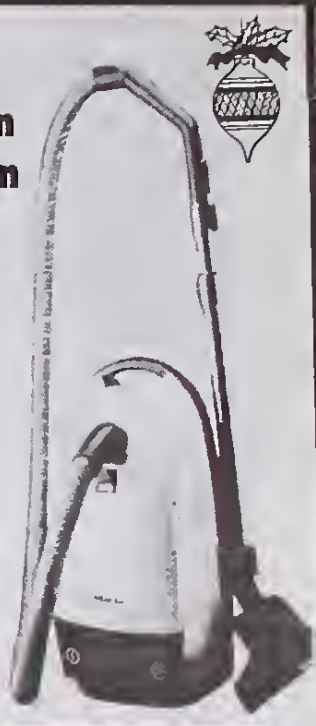
In October, the Arts Council's fund-raising campaign for the new addition had reached \$3.4 million, just \$600,000 short of its goal of \$4 million. The Arts Council building, once the home of a youth center and YM/YWCA for black Princetonians, was purchased from the Borough for \$110,000 three years ago. It was renamed The Paul Robeson Building. The new addition will be called The Arts Council Building, a name that will run along the top of the structure.

Borough Councilwoman Mildred Trotman, a resident of Witherspoon Street, questioned the amount of traffic

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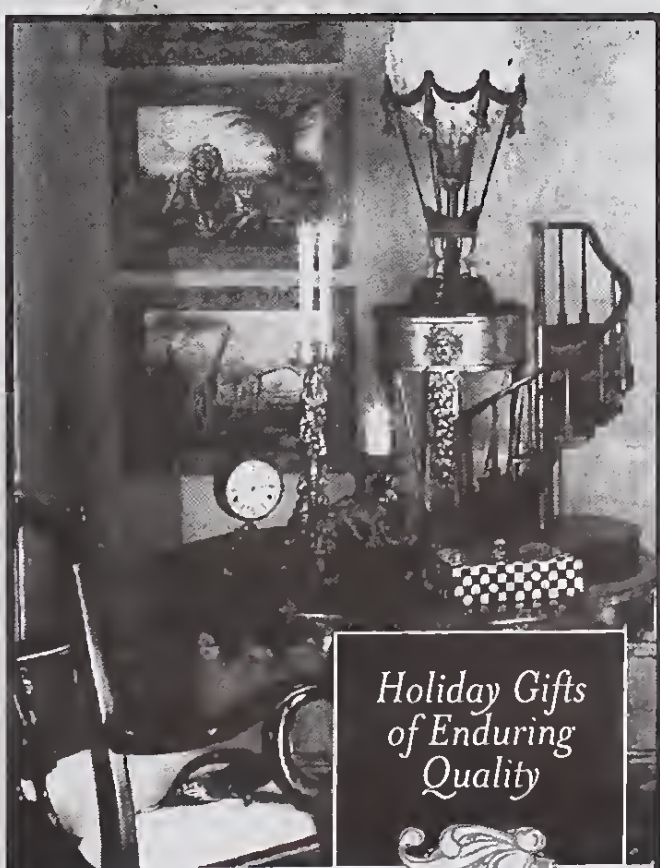
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Other neighbors said they were also concerned about traffic. Green Street resident Yina Moore, who is a member of the Planning Board, said flatly that she did not support the need for a 200-seat theatre.

Plans for the addition showed a drop-off area on Paul Robeson Place, but Borough Engineer Carl Peters said it would far better to create such an area along Witherspoon Street, even though it would require taking a portion of the Arts Council property.

No Parking Spaces

A parking study now underway by the Borough indicates that between 7 and 9 p.m., the time the new theater will be in use, there is no parking available in downtown streets and lots. Only the two privately owned Palmer Square garages have spaces available. A 1998 study found that the average weekday occupancy rate at the two garages at 6 p.m. is 34 percent.

Any efforts on the part of the Arts Council to contract with Palmer Square Management for the use of spaces in its garages would at best lead to a temporary solution. Palmer Square's development is still incomplete, and the developer will probably need most if not all the spaces to fill its own parking requirement that will be generated by construction on Paul Robeson Place and the addition to the Nassau Inn.

"There is a parking problem throughout Princeton," said the Rev. John White, pastor of Witherspoon Street Presbyterian Church and a board member of the Arts Council. "We need creative thinking on parking."

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of Green Street was one suggestion. This would not be a good idea, said Mr. Peters, because it would eventually lead to residents of other streets demanding sticker parking as well.

The topic then shifted to the addition's size and bulk. Ms. Moore said the building faces are solid and do not present an open facade to the street. This, she said, accents the massiveness of the building. Tom Rowe, an architect with Michael Graves, said they would look at making door openings larger.

At the end of the meeting,

Mr. Bienstock said, "We are seeing construction costs going up. In a worst-case scenario, if the Board doesn't approve, we have to look at alternatives." He added that the Arts Council board is concerned about the length of the approval process and of losing possible alternative building sites.

Additional informal discussions are expected to be held in the period between now and the Planning Board's hearing on the application. A hearing date will be set when the completed application is filed with the Board.

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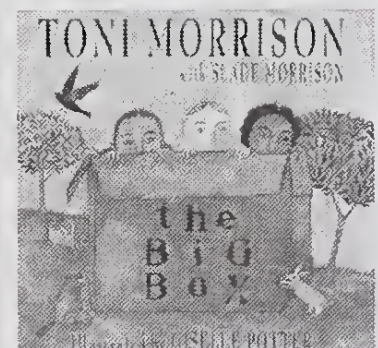
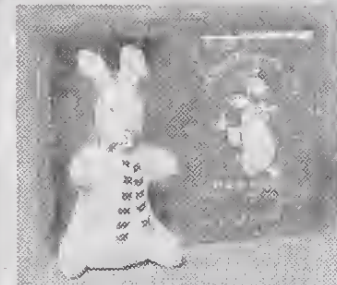
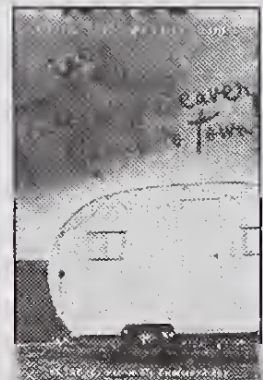
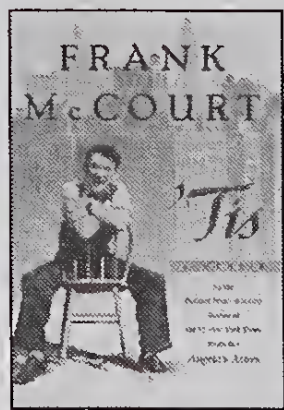
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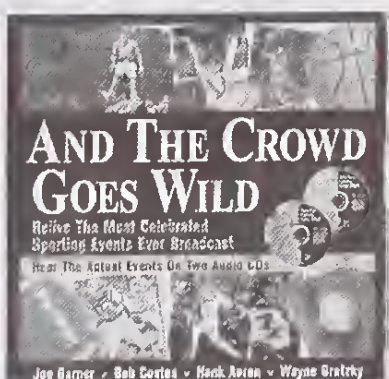
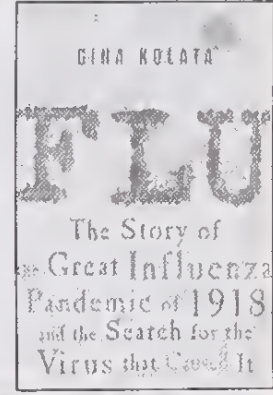
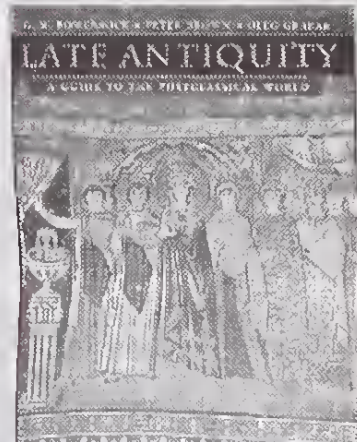
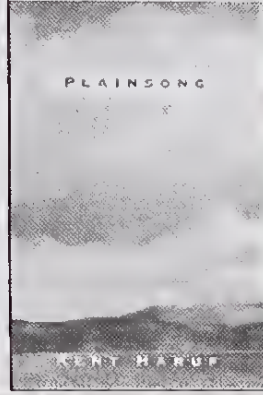
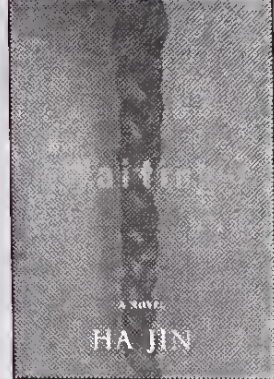
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Survey of Princeton Cable Subscribers Shows Most Happy

A survey conducted recently by the Joint CATV Committee indicates that 60 percent of cable subscribers in the two Princetons are satisfied with the service provided by the RCN Corporation, the company that holds the cable franchise.

The survey is the first step in a three-year process of evaluation and negotiations leading to renewal of the franchise, which expires in 2002. Of the 6494 survey forms mailed to subscriber households, approximately 950 were returned.

"The return rate of more than 15 percent indicates the high level of interest in cable TV service in the Borough and Township," according to Christian Knigge, committee chair.

Despite the generally favorable return, 25 percent of respondents indicated they had experienced outages for periods of several hours; and 19 percent had at various times received poor picture quality on specific stations.

High Monthly Fees

Nineteen percent also noted that the cost of service provided by RCN is too high. According to Bernard Miller, the committee member heading the re-franchising effort, subscribers pay an average rate of \$40 or \$50 monthly. The amount is, of course, determined by the service they receive.

"Well over 100 channels are provided," Mr. Miller said, "and the cost is completely unregulated. There



EATING OUTDOORS: Melanie Bremer (left) and Anna Harlan took advantage of last week's unseasonably warm weather and ate lunch outside on December 9.

are several tiers of pricing, ranging from the basic service fee that covers free off-the-air channels (1 to 13) and those that broadcast commercially, to service on all the pay-per-view channels."

The RCN Corporation, which pays the Township and Borough for the privilege of serving them, is seeking a 15-year contract for a new franchise. RCN currently operates under a three-year extension of its initial six-year agreement with the two municipalities.

The cable-franchising procedure is regulated by state law. "If we did not go through the re-franchising process, our contract would be extended automatically," according to Mr. Miller. "This process gives us an opportunity to try and get better pro-

gramming from RCN. We can apply public pressure to programming, although we can do little about the cost."

Additional Channels

Although generally satisfied, a number of respondents stated they want to watch channels not now provided by RCN. The most frequently requested channels were the Independent Film Channel, The Golf Channel, and WLIV (Long Island Public TV).

Only about 10 percent of survey respondents said they had encountered billing problems; but less than half of those felt the problem was resolved quickly.

In the area of problem-solving, 83 percent said RCN was easily accessible by telephone and that the help they

received by phone was adequate to solve their problems. Those who needed a visit from an RCN field technician were almost universally satisfied with the help they received.

Mr. Knigge said that about 20 percent of the respondents indicated they watched Princeton Public Access Channel A30, operated by the Cable TV Committee; and that viewers also noted they frequently watched Princeton Regional School programming and the municipal government channels.

The target date for franchise renewal is October 2002. Mr. Knigge noted that as part of the process, community-wide public meetings will be held in 2000, at which residents can comment about the RCN service.

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PHS Black Students Plan College Visits Partially Funded by Bonner Foundation

Fifteen members of the Princeton High School Black Men's Awareness Group (BMAG) are planning to visit a number of colleges during the weekend of January 14 through January 17 (Martin Luther King, Jr. weekend). The college tours, to be funded by the Bonner Foundation and BMAG's own fund-raising efforts, were expected to be approved by the Board of Education at its meeting of December 14.

The tours will be a first for the group, according to BMAG advisor Saladin Ambar, who has spearheaded the project. BMAG members raised \$2,000 for the visits through dances and other activities, said PHS Principal John Kazmark. The amount of Bonner Foundation support, in the form of food, transportation, and lodging, will depend on the number of colleges visited.

"We hope to visit about seven colleges," Dr. Kazmark said. Among those under consideration are Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga.; the University of Richmond, Richmond, Va.; Howard University, Washington, D.C.; and Hood College, Frederick, Md.

The trip is designed for potential college students

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who would not otherwise have an opportunity to visit post-secondary institutions. "We have a large number of black and Latino students who would be the first generation in their family to attend college," Dr. Kazmark said. "That situation presents its own set of challenges."

Criteria for participation in the BMAG trip include both good attendance and academic achievement, according to Mr. Ambar. "We want to make other students aware that they have to earn their way," he added.

The students are working with the Bonner Foundation to develop a final itinerary for the trip, which is limited to black men. According to Dr. Kazmark, "The tours could be an intense and perhaps provocative experience. We wanted participants to actively research the colleges and not to get sidetracked by other interests."

The principal added that he hoped to provide similar experiences for a "wider group of students" in the future.

The board's minority education committee has endorsed the college visits. At the the committee meeting on December 1, members suggested that community organizations might help fund future trips.



CUTTING IT: Matthew Spring, 3, a Montgomery Township resident, concentrates on his "cutting work" at the Princeton Montessori School, where he learns through experience how to use scissors effectively and safely.

"Make the community responsible for its own children," urged Joanne Rice-Parker. She also noted, "The district has a tendency to start a program by bringing in outside resources who don't know the community."

Ashanté Thompson said she was happy that all participants in the first college tour would be black. "Maybe a father or other relative could be part of the visit," she said. "It could be important to get a male from the family to attend."

"A number of men in the community are college graduates," Caroline Mitchell add-

ed. "They could be supportive."

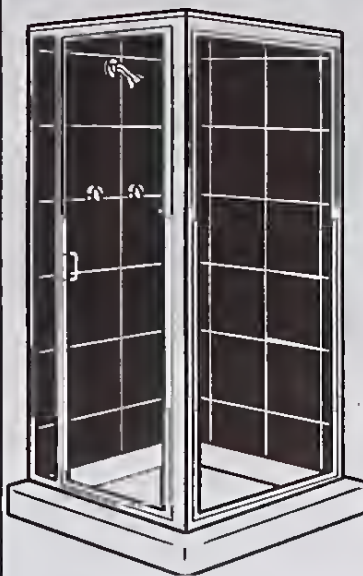
Ricardo Bruce, former chair of the minority education committee, added that "at least a dozen black men in the community would help. It is an enormous task to get black students to recognize their own worth," he said.

Dr. Kazmark said yesterday that community representatives have been invited to accompany students on the trip. A representative of the Bonner Foundation will also travel with them, as will Mr. Ambar and other staff members.

—Anne Rivera

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Gregorian Calendar Topic of Lecture At the Institute

The Institute for Advanced Study will host a Millennium Lecture on the genesis and original celebration of the Gregorian calendar by Nicola Courtright, Associate Professor of Fine Arts at Amherst College.

The lecture, which is intended for a general audience and is open to the public, will take place Friday, December 17, at 4:30 p.m. in Wolfensohn Hall on the campus of the Institute, Olden Lane. A reception will follow in the Fuld Hall Common Room.

In the midst of the religious struggles that bloodied the 16th century, Pope Gregory XIII ordered that ten days disappear from the month of October in 1582, and a new measurement of time commence. His command, accompanied by vigorous diplomatic initiatives, caused the papal calendar — our Gregorian calendar — to replace the classical one inaugurated by Julius Caesar in much of the Western world.

The primary purpose of the new calendar was not, however, to act as a scientific corrective, but to amend and celebrate the date of Easter, the feast commemorating Christ's resurrection, the fundamental event of Christian faith.

Gregory's regulation of nature, understood instantly by fellow leaders as serving



A CAROL OF BELLS: Rachel Ward, age 15, left; Carol Ross, right, both of West Windsor-Plainsboro High School; and Elizabeth Hyon, age 18, center, of Princeton High School, perform Friday evening for friends, family and faculty during the Tree of Lights ceremony held at the Lewis School. The girls are members of Nassau Presbyterian Bell Choir.

(Photo by Charles Phox)

his own religion's transcendent purpose, and his claim to the universal dominion of his ancient predecessor in both physical and metaphysical domains, set off a firestorm of protests throughout Europe and Asia Minor, as well as fears of apocalyptic

repercussions in the natural world.

In the face of this reaction, Gregory built a magnificent apartment in the heart of the Vatican Palace which was decorated with lavish frescoes that commemorated his reform of the calendar, and

proclaimed what he regarded as his rightful place as the prime spiritual and secular leader of the universe, and Rome as the divinely sanctioned locus for calendar reform.

Nicola Courtright, a 1976 graduate of Oberlin College, received her M.A. in art history from Yale in 1978, and her Ph.D. from the Institute of Fine Arts, New York University, in 1990.

An Associate Professor of Fine Arts at Amherst College since 1998, she has received numerous grants, including a Fulbright, the Rome Prize, and an ACLS post-doctoral fellowship.

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LET VOICES RING: Left to right, Amanda Kohlhepp, age 12; Sarah Shumaker, age 11; and Monica De Antonio, age 9, sang during the Tree of Lights celebration, Friday evening during the Lewis School's annual fundraising event.

(Photo by Charles Phox)

Vigil Against Gun Violence Planned for Palmer Square

In the wake of repeated school shootings, including the most recent one by a 13-year-old Middle School student in Oklahoma, area groups are joining together for a Vigil Against Gun Violence. The Vigil will have a special focus on preventing gun violence among children by advocating such measures as the Childproof Handgun Bill pending in the New Jersey Legislature.

Activities during the Vigil will include: a powerful symbolic dramatization of the 13 children per day who are killed by guns in the U.S.; posters and banners calling for an end to gun violence; a letter-writing table where citizens can write to their elected representatives to demand immediate action to curtail gun violence; a petition calling for comprehensive steps to prevent gun violence which will be presented to elected officials at all levels.

The Vigil is co-sponsored by the Youth Against Guns

(based at Princeton High School); the Trenton-based Mothers Against Violence; the Cherry Hill-based Cease-fire NJ; and the Princeton-based Coalition for Peace Action. The public is invited. For information, call 924-5022.

The Coalition for Peace Action also recently endorsed the Million Mom March being planned for Mother's Day of 2000 in Washington, D.C. This event aims to bring one million mothers to the nation's capitol to insist on sensible gun control measures to protect the nation's children. The Coalition expects to charter buses to take area mothers and their supporters to the event.

Fund Campaign Exceeds First and Second Goals

Princeton University's 250th Anniversary has reached its goal of \$900 million nearly eight months ahead of its target date of June 30. But, even so, there are several projects that have not been fully funded, said Van Zandt Williams, vice

president for development.

The most important of these, he said, is this year's Annual Giving campaign, which still has \$27 million to go to reach its \$35 million goal.

Other projects still short of their goals are ongoing efforts to improve the university's financial aid package; the Presidential Teaching Initiative; and buildings where not all the required funds have been raised.

The campaign began in 1995 in conjunction with the University's 250th anniversary. It achieved a participation rate of over 75 percent among undergraduate alumni.

The anniversary campaign, conceived in 1995, had a goal of raising \$750 million. When that amount was reached last year, the University raised the goal to \$900 million.

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Robber Strikes At Summit Bank On Friday Morning

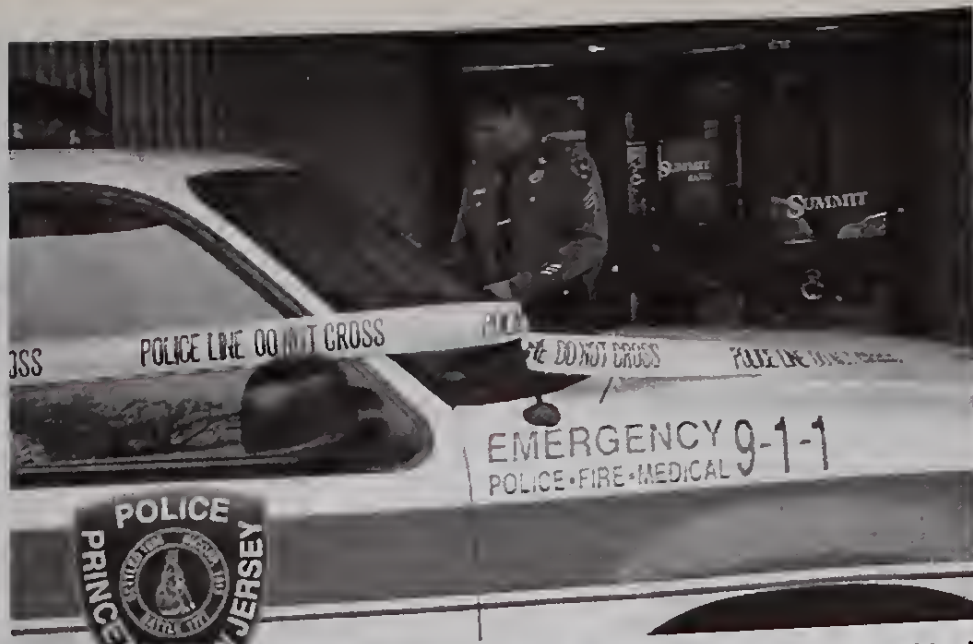
The FBI is looking for a man who robbed a Princeton bank on Friday morning and got away on foot with an undisclosed amount of money.

At 9:25, the robber entered Summit Bank, at 370 Nassau Street, and handed a teller a note demanding money. The robber did not show a gun, but in the note threatened to shoot people if the teller did not comply, according to Borough police chief Thomas Michaud.

The teller handed over a "small" amount of cash, said the chief. The robber left the bank, ran down Markham Road, and has not been seen since.

Police described him as a 5'8, black, heavy set with a round face, about 20-years-old, wearing light colored pants, a black leather jacket and a dark hat.

Police went to Burger King, on Nassau Street, on hearing that somebody who matched the above description was there. But the person they came across was not the robber, said the chief.



SUMMIT STRUCK: Summit Bank's branch at 370 Nassau Street was robbed on Friday. Above, Borough sergeant Dennis McManimon prepares to enter the bank lobby, which stayed closed all day after the crime. (Photo by Albert Raboteau)

Quiet Crime

Nobody was injured in the robbery, which took place so quietly that most of the teller's co-workers did not know anything was wrong until after the crook had fled.

Police cordoned off the scene and investigated. Most of the bank stayed closed for the rest of the day. A drive through teller window was reopened at 3 p.m., said bank

spokesperson Pat Lynch. The branch opened as usual on Saturday, she added. "All the tellers are fine," said Lynch.

After being notified of the incident, Princeton Regional Schools took security precautions, according to assistant superintendent Jeffrey Graber. Outdoor recess was cancelled, staff patrolled the outside of each school, and the high school's open campus policy was suspended, he said.

The school district took similar precautions last October after Errol Thompson allegedly shot his wife in the parking lot of a Medical Center at Princeton facility on Bayard Lane.

Sergeant John Reading of the Borough force is working with FBI agents on the robbery investigation. There have been no new leads since Friday, said Borough lieutenant Charles Davall.

—Albert Raboteau



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Dinner

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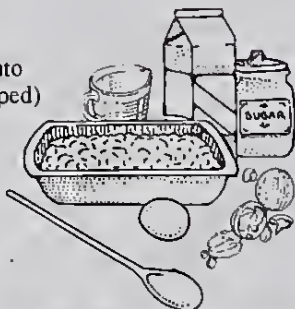
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- 11 double graham crackers (1/2 box)
- 1/2 cup butter
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 1 egg
- 1 cup walnuts (broken into small pieces, not chopped)

Icing:

- 1/4 cup butter
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1/8 tsp salt
- 2 tblsp milk
- 1 1/4 cup sifted icing sugar
- 1/4 tsp vanilla



Roll out crackers and place in large bowl with broken nuts. Melt butter in saucepan. Add sugar and beaten egg; stir well. Cook until it bubbles. Cook one more minute. Stir, add vanilla. Pour over crumbs and nuts and toss well. Pack in greased 8x8 pan. Refrigerate.
Icing: Melt butter in large saucepan; blend in the brown sugar and salt. Cook over low heat 2 minutes, stirring constantly. Add the milk and stir until mixture comes to a boil. Remove from heat; blend in the sifted icing sugar; and vanilla and mix well. Spread over the graham cracker mixture. Refrigerate. Cut into squares to serve.

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Kaposts-Tamm. Nara Kaposts, daughter of Anna Kaposts, daughter of Mara and Juris Kaposts, Youngstown, N.Y., to Eric Gregory Tamm, son of Dr. Mary and Manfred Tamm, Stuart Road.

Ms. Kaposts graduated from Connecticut College with a bachelor's degree in history, and earned an M.B.A. degree in finance and marketing from the New York University Stern School of Business. She is employed in the Corporate Client Group at Salomon Smith Barney,

New York City.

Mr. Tamm, a graduate of Princeton Day School, earned a bachelor's degree in business from Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. He received an M.B.A. degree in finance from the University of Pennsylvania Wharton School of Business, Philadelphia. He is a vice president with M&T Bank's Private Banking and Health Care Services Groups in New York City.

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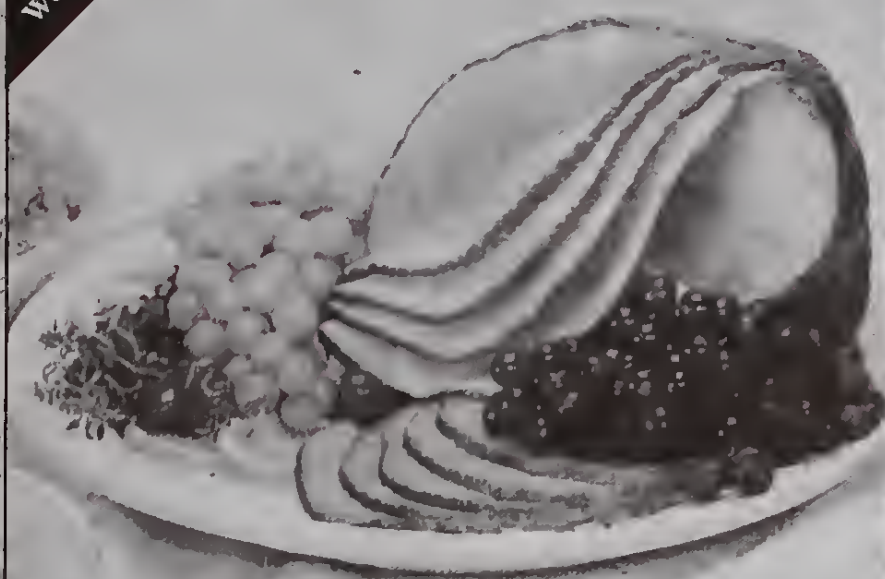
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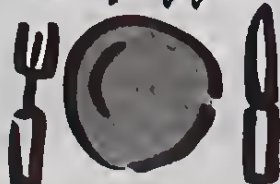
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MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP: Bob Hillier, left, chairman of The Hillier Group, and Susan Spaeth present a check to Alan Balfour, dean of the School of Architecture at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, to create a scholarship honoring the late Joel Spaeth. A Hopewell resident, Mr. Spaeth, who died in June, was one of the Hillier firm's first principals. The Hillier group also created a \$2500 Joel Spaeth Memorial Traveling Fellowship to be awarded to a Hillier Group architect within the firm each year.

Two Arrested At Rowdy Party Following Scuffle

Two Princeton men were arrested after police busted up a loud party behind 10 Lytle Street in the wee hours of December 12.

After being notified that a group of people were drinking and shouting and keeping the neighbors awake, police responded at 2:18, and found eight young men partying on a second floor deck, according to reports.

The group refused to quiet down as ordered, and started arguing with the officers, said police. Two of the men started fighting with each other. When police tried to break it up, one of the brawlers started to scuffle with an officer, according to reports.

Diego F. Martinez, 22, of Quarry Street, was charged with disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, and violating a noise ordinance. He is due in court on January 31.

Stephen D. Cardona, 21, of Red Oak Row, was charged with violating a noise ordinance after he refused to pipe down, said police. Cardona is due in court on February 28.

Brazen Burglar

While the residents of a Terhune Road home slept, one or more burglar(s) entered through their rear basement door and made off

with \$450 cash, a VCR, and a strong box containing an unknown amount of securities. The crook(s) also found the keys to a 1987 Honda that was parked in the driveway outside, and made his her or their getaway in the victims' car. The crime happened between 8 p.m. December 12 and 6 a.m. December 13.

Peter S. Phelps, 24, of Milltown, was charged with driving while intoxicated by an officer who initially flagged him for speeding on Nassau Street near Cedar Lane at 2:50 a.m. on December 12, according to reports.

Drinking and Driving

An officer pulled up next to a car that was blocking part of southbound Route 206 near Ewing Street at 4:23 p.m. on December 10. The car's driver quickly sat up from a reclining position, then drove up over a curb and stopped on the side of the road, said police. Suspicious, the officer investigated, and discovered a drunk driver and his open bottle of rum, according to reports.

Kenrick Butler, 47, of Trenton, was charged with driving while intoxicated, having an open container of alcohol in a car, careless driving, and parking on a highway. He is due in court on December 21.

After being pulled over for failing to stop at a flashing red light on the corner of Nassau and Vandeventer Streets early December 8, Roman Ogradnick, 33, of Perrineville, was charged with driving while intoxicated. He was later released with a it.

Free Lunch

Somebody used a counterfeit \$20 bill to buy food and drink at a Nassau Street restaurant between 3 and 4 p.m. on December 11.

Police pulled over Constance Cambareri, 23, of Madison Street, on University Place at 9:10 a.m. December 9.

Cambareri was subsequently charged with driving on a suspended license. She was arrested on an unpaid parking ticket warrant from Hightstown. She was later released on \$500 bail.

Somebody stole a \$1300 Quantex brand laptop computer from the second floor library of Cap and Gown Club, at 61 Prospect Avenue, between 10 a.m. December 7 and noon December 8.

A Princeton University student left her purple mountain bike unlocked behind 65 Prospect Avenue between December 8 and 9. It was not there when she returned for it.

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The New Jersey Turnpike Authority has proposed toll increases of up to 37 percent on the roadway, starting on January 1, when drivers paying cash would face a 20 percent increase. They would get another 17 percent hike on January 1, 2003; and the higher rates would be in effect at all times.

Motorists using the E-Z Pass would see an 8 percent hike in 2001, with another 10 percent in 2003. If they used the Turnpike during off-peak hours, however, there would be no increase in 2001, and an increase of only 5 percent in 2003.

Truckers paying cash would pay 13 percent more in both 2001 and 2003, but those using the E-Z Pass would pay only 8 percent more in each of those years. There would be no off-hours discount for truckers.

The Turnpike Authority is soliciting comment on the increases, which are designed to finance \$917 million worth of improvements to the toll road. It will accept written statements and/or e-mail comments, which should be sent to info@turnpike.state.nj.us. All written communications, including e-mail, must include the sender's name and address.

\$21 Million Tax Loss

The fact that New Jersey is losing an estimated \$21 million annually in sales taxes to the Internet, has the State's League of Municipalities worried. The League points out that if local communities are not concerned about Internet sales, they should be.

Online merchants are, theoretically, supposed to collect sales taxes. Because the U.S. Supreme Court has ruled that they have no obligation to do so for states other than their own, very few do.

Assemblyman Richard Bagger (R-Westfield) head of the Assembly Appropriations Committee, has suggested that the Legislature form a committee to study the issue next year.

Governor Christine Whitman supports a proposal by the governors' association to establish a voluntary, nationwide system that will collect sales taxes on Internet purchases. According to a spokesman, she believes that the nation's governors should come up with their own solution, rather than wait for Congress to impose one.

HMO Red Ink

Most of New Jersey's health maintenance organizations are operating in the red, as a result of higher-than-average spending on medical care, a newspaper analysis has found. The Record of Hackensack reviewed the paperwork that HMOs are required to file with the state and found that six of the state's nine largest HMOs have been losing money since 1997.

Eight of the nine — excluding Aetna U.S. Healthcare, the most profitable — lost a total of \$200 million between 1997 and the middle of 1999. At the same time, the companies have grown, but consumer choice has shrunk and premium costs have increased.

The analysis covered more than two million patients, who account for 85 percent of the state's HMO market and 30 percent of its insured population.



LANDMARK: Cottage Club, at 51 Prospect Avenue, was recently added to the National Register of Historic Places by the National Park Service. The brick eating club was built at the turn of the century.

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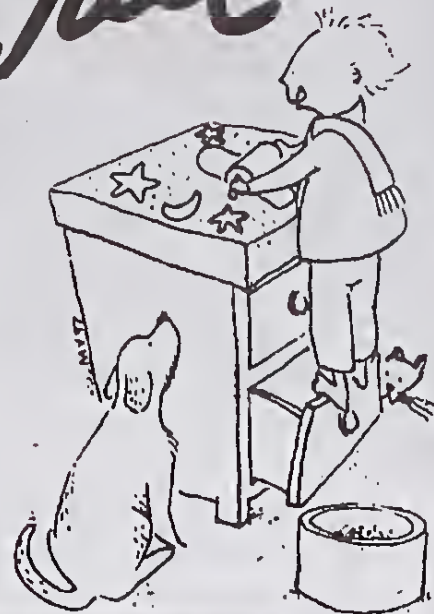
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EXHIBIT ADVISORS: Members of the Advisory Board for the exhibition on Princeton's Jewish community, standing, from left, are Ann Brener Kahn, Wanda Gunning, Sybil Parnes, and Township Mayor Phyllis Marchand; seated, from left, Historical Society Director Gail Stern, Co-Chairs Ricky Shechtel and Linda Grenis, Marion Epstein, and Marisa Treu.

History of Local Jewish Community To Be Show Subject

The Historical Society of Princeton and the Jewish Center of Princeton are collaborating on an exhibition, timed to coincide with the celebration of the Jewish Center's 50th anniversary next year.

The show, to open in May, will illustrate both the history of Princeton's Jewish community, and the past half century of Jewish Center activity. Exhibit organizers are seeking residents who would like to be interviewed for oral histories. They are also interested in photos, documents, and artifacts that represent the community's history.

The exhibit will take place at both Bainbridge House, 158 Nassau Street, and the Jewish Center, 435 Nassau Street. Topics to be covered include immigration, family life, social organizations, work and business life, religious traditions and institutional life.

Examples of the kind of items sought for the show are household or ritual items — like seder plates or Sabbath candlesticks — originally brought to the United States by immigrants and handed down in local families; Jewish business signs; journals, diaries, or correspondence reflecting issues of ethnic identity or assimilation; family photographs or albums, minutes, ledgers, photographs of organizational founders; or items representing the history of local Jewish organizations.

West Windsor resident Alice Greenwald, former director of the National Museum of American Jewish History in Philadelphia, will serve as guest curator. A community advisory board, co-chaired by Linda Grenis and Ricky Shechtel, will help develop the exhibition.

Board members include Victoria Bergman, Marion Epstein, Ruth Fath, Anthony Grafton, Wanda Gunning, Ann Brener Kahn, Judy Konin, Emily Mann, Township Mayor Phyllis Marchand, Jacqueline Meisel, Sybil Parnes, Albert Stark, Marisa Treu, Irv Urkin, Alan and Robin Wallack, and Ed Witten.

For more information, call Gail Stern, project director, at the Historical Society, at 921-6748; or Joel Goldman executive director of the Jewish Center, at 921-0100, for more information.

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Two Veterans Will Retire in 2000 From Borough Police

The Borough police force will lose two longtime officers in July.

Captain Peter Hanley, 52, who joined the force in 1973, and Sergeant William Clark, 44, who arrived two years later, will take retirement.

Both expect to continue working, possibly in fields related to law enforcement. Neither has anything definite lined up.

"It's still a long way off," said the captain. "The family and I decided it was time. We've known for a long time; we just recently announced it."

"He's been one of the stabilizing forces in our department over the years," said police Chief Thomas Michaud of Captain Hanley. "He's very well respected, very knowledgeable in the wide range of law enforcement. He's going to be missed — certainly."

Captain Hanley's father was a police officer in London briefly prior to World War II. After the war, he emigrated to the United States. Captain Hanley grew up in Princeton, graduated from Princeton High in 1965, and became a patrol officer in 1973. He was promoted to sergeant in 1980, made lieutenant in 1986, and succeeded Chief Michaud as captain when Michaud replaced retiring Chief Michael

Camevale in 1991.

Captain Hanley served as the department's media liaison for a number of years. In doing so, he handled press calls for some high-profile cases like the 1997 Sovereign Bank robbery.

But the event that stands out most in his mind happened when he was just a rookie. "There was a young man we pulled from a pool in '73," he said. "That rescue is probably my favorite memory. Anytime you're saving a life as opposed to some of the other stuff we deal with here — suicides, homicides — it's always more memorable."

During his shifts, Captain Hanley now supervises all uniformed police personnel, which at times includes patrol officers, the safe neighborhood unit, and parking enforcement.

The captain has received specialized training from the FBI National Academy and the Secret Service's dignitary protection school. He helped ensure safe visits to Princeton University by U.S. Presidents Bush and Clinton, as well as other political figures.

Community Oriented

The Borough has undergone many changes over the past 25 years, and so has its police force. "I think the biggest change," said the captain, "is that the department is far more responsive to community needs. That's not just here, though. Across the board, departments in a lot of places are getting more community oriented."

"When people call us, it's not just because of fear of crime. There's noise complaints and other things. When the safe neighborhood unit is in full swing, we've got four officers addressing quality of life issues. It's definitely gotten a positive response."

Captain Hanley said he would miss his co-workers — both in the department and in the neighboring Borough administrative offices — the most when he leaves.

The feeling is mutual. "We started kindergarten together," said Borough clerk Penny Carter. "Whenever you know somebody 47 years it's tough not to see them anymore."

Sergeant Clark

Sergeant Clark grew up in Hamilton and joined the force in 1975. He was promoted from patrol officer to detective around 1981, served as the juvenile officer, and made sergeant two years later.

He now serves as a shift supervisor for patrol officers. He is the department's firearms and CPR instructor. He also heads the department's anti-sniper team.

"He's our most senior sergeant," said Chief Michaud. "He has a tremendous amount of common sense and knowledge of police patrol issues. He's going to leave a void."

"I'm going to miss the interaction with people on the streets," said the sergeant, "just helping people."

With two other patrol officers hoping to move into federal law enforcement, the Borough may have more positions to fill soon. At least one more spot should open in 2001, when Chief Michaud is expected to retire.

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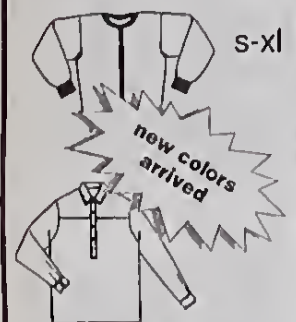
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CCRC Ordinance Being Evaluated By Zoning Committee

All sides were represented as a subcommittee of the Planning Board met Tuesday morning to begin reviewing the Township ordinance on continuing care retirement communities (CCRCs).

The developer of Regent's Mead, whose application was denied by the Planning Board on December 2 because the board determined it did not have jurisdiction, was represented by an attorney and the project's architect. Some dozen residents living close to The Great Road site of the proposed CCRC were also in the meeting room, along with a lawyer and a planner hired by one of the protesting neighbors.

After rejecting the application, largely because the ordinance lacked clarity on floor area ratio, the Planning Board asked that a subcommittee, the Zoning Amendment Review Committee (ZARC) review the ordinance, particularly as it relates to FAR.

Any use variance for FAR must be granted by the Zoning Board, not the Planning Board. FAR, which regulates the bulk of a project, is defined by the relationship of the square footage of the building to the square footage of the lot.

The Tuesday morning meeting was the first in which ZARC members gathered to begin following the request of the Planning Board. The four ZARC members at the meeting were Alyce Bush, Bill Enslin, Steve Frakt, and the committee's chair, Wanda Gunning.

Planning Board Attorney Allen Porter distributed a two-page memo that outlined some of the issues ZARC could address. Among the topics suggested in the memo were height limits; how height is measured; cut and fill limits; parking requirements; whether CCRCs should be retained as a conditional use or be converted to permitted use; and acceptable design standards.

On the thorny issue of FAR, Mr. Porter asked whether FAR should be defined directly in the ordinance, and, if so, whether there should be a fixed FAR limit or a limit that was modified per zone district. He also raised the question of whether a substitute for FAR should be utilized, and laid out several possibilities as to how this could be done.

Finally, Mr. Porter wrote that, if the goal is to make it feasible to build a CCRC in Princeton, it would be advisable to seek additional fact finding; review other recent CCRC developments; obtain information about economic requirements; seek input from the Site Plan Review Advisory Board; obtain information from developers; and obtain input from neighbors.

It was noted during the meeting that the subject of the ZARC deliberations was not the Regent's Mead application, although it was also acknowledged that most of what the Planning Board learned about the CCRC ordinance could be traced to that application.

Town and University Prepare for Year 2000

Neither town nor gown expects any Y2Chaos but both are taking precautions — just in case.

The police departments will have added personnel on hand during off hours to deal with any emergencies, and, depending on what does or does not happen when the calendar's odometer flips, may have extra staff through the weekend.

The University will shut down at 1 p.m. on December 31 and will not reopen until 1 p.m. January 2. Despite the closure, it will have engineers, maintenance workers, computer specialists, and additional public safety officers on campus to deal with any problems that arise, according to a recent article in the Daily Princetonian — a student paper.

Mr. Enslin suggested that he would like to look into whether any other municipality has passed an ordinance relating to CCRCs, noting that most such developments evolved out of the zoning process. He said that no one was able to find such an ordinance when the Township law was written some five years ago.

Princeton Lifestyles LLC purchased the former Our Lady of Princeton convent at the corner of the Great Road and Drakes Corner Road for \$6 million in 1998. It is seeking to build the first CCRC in Princeton, which would offer 215 apartments for independent living, 42 assisted living units, and 44 nursing care units.

The proposed CCRC was met with strong opposition from neighbors, who contend that the development is too large for the site and that it would cause harm to the environmentally sensitive Princeton Ridge.

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Curtain Calls '99 Events to Include Gala Ball at Nassau Inn on Dec. 31



PLANNING A Y2K BALL: Arts Council Board members Suzanne Goldenson, left, and Cindy Besselaar, right, planning the Arts Council Millennium Ball at the Nassau Inn, with Jodi Adolf, director of the Inn's catering and conference services.

Curtain Calls '99, the family-oriented, non-alcoholic New Year's Eve celebration sponsored by the Arts Council of Princeton and Princeton University, will feature a variety of entertainment options this year for all budgets, all ages, and all interests. Festivities will begin around 7 p.m., on December 31, and will continue until 12:15 a.m., January 1.

The community party will culminate with a Welcome to the Year 2000 on the front lawn of Nassau Hall. Midnight festivities (11:15-12:15) will include a bagpipe procession from the university chapel; Nassau Hall illumination; big screen television; a commemorative photo of Curtain Calls revelers wearing glow-in-the-dark glasses and waving sparkling torch flashlights; bells ringing throughout the town; refreshments; and a sing-along led by Kenny Grayson.

Princeton University President Harold Shapiro, Borough Mayor Marvin Reed, Township Mayor Phyllis Marchand, and emcee Diana Crane will lead the revelers.

At 7 and again at 9:30, there will be shows — John Bianculli Jazz Band, Susan Tenney Dance Troupe, and Princeton Cabaret with June Ballinger, Mary Martello, and Cyrus Newitt — at Richardson Auditorium.

The Low Sodium Comedy Troupe (in the tradition of Chicago's "Second City") will entertain in one of the Garden Theatre's spaces at 8:30, while Warner Brothers cartoons from the 20th Century will be on the screen in the other theater. There will be a face painter in the lobby; and popcorn will be served.

At 8, Tom Spain's Dixieland Band will perform in the Princeton University Chapel. Also performing will be organist Nate Randall, the Princeton Girl Choir, and a Peace for the Millennium Service.

Simultaneously, scenes from Shakespeare will be presented in the Murray-Dodge Theatre at 8; and folk singer Caroline Mosley will entertain.

The high school will hold a student dance at the Arts Council at 8 (\$5 admission) with a DJ and refreshments; and Middle School students will hold a pool party at the YMCA, also at 8, for \$10.

Horse and buggy rides will be available on

the street throughout the festivities. Souvenir bags with sparkling flashlight, glow-in-the-dark glasses, Millennium fortune cookies and other treats will be available to all Curtain Calls participants.

Millennium Ball

For those who want something more, the Arts Council will hold a gala Millennium Ball at the Nassau Inn from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Suggested dress: "Centuries Past and Present."

Nassau Inn Executive Chef Christopher Harkness is planning a memorable dinner, to be accompanied by champagne and Millennium cake. Dancing to hometown favorite Sandy Maxwell and other special entertainments will be featured throughout the evening.

Decade, Century, and Millennium tickets are available for \$175, \$475, and \$975 per person, respectively. Century tickets will include limousine service in the Princeton area to and from the ball. Millennium tickets will include a room at the Nassau Inn, breakfast on New Year's Day, and a gift basket. A surcharge of \$50, which includes membership in the organization for the year 2000, will be required from individuals who are not members of the Council.

Admission to the other events is as follows: \$20 buys the Curtain Calls admission button, the souvenir bag, and access to the Garden Theatre, Chapel, Murray-Dodge, Arts Council, buggy rides, and midnight celebration; \$40 buys all of the above, plus one of two shows at Richardson Auditorium. There is no charge for children under the age of 5.

Each Curtain Calls button serves as a ticket to the different event sites and entitles the wearer to pick up a Millennium Souvenir Bag on December 31. The supply of buttons is limited, so buttons should be purchased as soon as possible at the Arts Council, the Princeton Packet, the Alchemist and Barrister, Bowhe and Peare, Landau's, McCaffrey's, PNC Bank, Princeton University, or The Salty Dog.

For more information about the Arts Council Millennium Ball, call 924-8777. For information about the overall celebration, call the Curtain Calls hotline at 921-0404.

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Princeton High Grad Is New Chief Editor At Daily Prince

The new editor-in-chief of The Daily Princetonian is a graduate of Princeton High School who was also editor of the PHS newspaper, The Tower.

Richard Just began his public school career in Princeton at age 7, when his family moved from Lawrenceville. He attended Riverside School and John Witherspoon Middle School, and graduated from the high school in 1997.



Richard Just

Mr. Just, 20, a junior at Princeton University, is majoring in public policy at the Woodrow Wilson School. "I'll probably want to go into journalism," he said. "No matter what you go into, the Woodrow Wilson School offers a very good education."

As a student representative on the Princeton Regional School Board during his junior and senior years at the high school, he said he learned a lot about what it means to work in a highly charged political atmosphere. He also learned a great deal about working with adults, and said he was grateful for the opportunity.

Mr. Just is not planning to coast through his upcoming year as top editor. There are some changes in The Daily Princetonian he wants to implement, including making the layout more modern. This can be done, he said, in ways that will preserve the traditional look of the paper.

"The layout hasn't changed in 50 years," he said. "A lot of college papers are doing more in graphic design and layout. There is a lot we can learn from other newspapers."

He sees the strength of The Daily Princetonian in its treatment of daily stories, but says the paper isn't doing as good a job with in-depth articles,

features, and human interest stories. "We have a lot of writers who like to do these, and I believe our readers would like it," he said.

Another focus during his tenure as editor-in-chief will be putting more than daily articles on the web. There are so many ways to use the web, he said, including polling and providing sports scores in a timely way.

Mr. Just's dream job would be to work on The New Yorker or The New Republic because he appreciates the in-depth journalism they offer, or to work on a good daily newspaper.

According to Larry DuPraz, a retired supervisor at The Daily Princetonian, Mr. Just is not the first Princeton High School graduate to be elected to the top editing job at the University newspaper. Carlo Balestri, who graduated from the high school in 1992, also served as editor-in-chief, said Mr. DuPraz, who now consults to the newspaper.

Among other editors who have gone on to proverbial fame and fortune in journalism, are Landon Jones, R.W. Apple, Frank DeFore, Peter Cary, Tom Reed, and John Stoessel. And then there was once an editor-in-chief who shucked journalism for another field. His name? Woodrow Wilson.

—Myrna K. Bearse

School Nurse To Act - Again As Interim Principal

Mary Ann Brungart Jones, who served as interim principal of the Johnson Park School in 1998-99, has once again stepped into the breach — to become acting principal of Riverside School.

Riverside School Principal William Cirullo requested a

leave of absence, effective December 9, following a brief stay at the Princeton Medical Center for "chest pains." At press time, there was no word on when he would return to Riverside.

Ms. Jones left her position as school nurse at the John Witherspoon School to assume the principal's duties at Riverside. A substitute nurse has been engaged at the Middle School.

With a B.S. in nursing and a master's degree in educational administration from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, Va., Ms. Jones holds New Jersey state certification as a health educator and as a principal. She is completing a master's degree in nursing at the College of New Jersey (Trenton State).

Ms. Jones has held a number of supervisory positions; and from 1987 to 1990, she chaired the District Health Committee, which developed the Princeton Regional Schools' health curriculum.

Previous to her appointment at Johnson Park School last year, she served for 12 years as the nurse at Community Park School. She left Johnson Park when Bob Ginsberg resigned his position as assistant superintendent to take the principalship of Johnson Park.

Med Center Officials Seek Blood Donations

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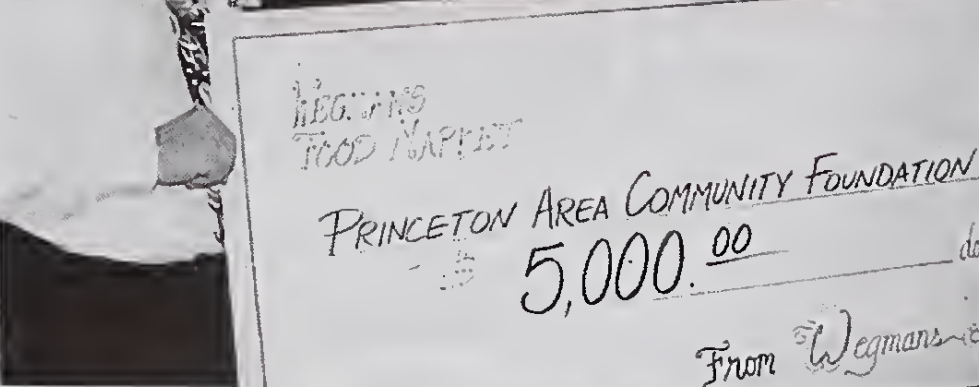
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Borough Council

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Last month, Borough Council heard a request from the Joint Environmental Commission that it create an Open Space Trust Fund to be funded through an open space tax. Voters would have to approve such a tax through referendum.

"We will probably have appeals from groups asking us to purchase open space with the Township," noted Mr. Reed.

Borough Administrator Bob Bruschi said that adoption of the debt management plan will be a big step in restoring the Borough's AAA bond rating.

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In other business, Borough Council accepted "with gratitude" a gift of \$5000 from Princeton University for the purchase and installation of poles on Nassau Street that will be used for hanging banners.

It became impossible to hang banners above Nassau Street when the trees that anchored them were lost. Mayor Reed said the \$5000 gift was a way the University can contribute to many organizational activities that go on in town.

There was a brief discussion of whether to raise meter rates from 75 cents to a dollar an hour in the Palmer Square area, a suggestion made by Mayor Reed in response to the recent rate increases at the two privately owned Palmer Square garages. The Hulfish North garage recently increased its rate for the first hour from \$1.75 to \$2, and instituted a number of other rate hikes for longer time periods.

Mayor Reed said that part of the parking problem in the Central Business District results from the underutilization of the two Palmer Square garages. This was borne out in a recent letter from David

C. Newton, vice president of Palmer Square Management, in response to a request from the Arts Council to lease spaces in the Palmer Square garages.

"I would rather not restore the AAA rating than raise taxes."

The letter said the average weekday occupancy rate at the Hulfish and Chambers Street garages was 53 percent. The average weekday occupancy rate at 6 p.m., when spaces in the the Central Business District are beginning to disappear, was 34 percent. The average Saturday occupancy rate was 32 percent. There are 994 spaces in the two garages.

Mr. Goldfarb voiced concern about the number of coins that would be needed to feed a dollar to a meter, and said that the increase should be looked at when the new Sacajawea dollar coin comes out. Borough engineer Carl Peters told Council that he was looking at meters that can accept a cash card.

After a brief discussion, Mayor and Council agreed to mull over the idea of increasing the meter rate in the Palmer Square area.

—Myrna K. Bearse




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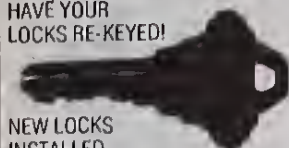
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Pre-Schools

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"It is generally recognized that the YWCA and Princeton Nursery School are the two pre-school entities in town that have lower-income children as students," YWCA Executive Director Mary Jane Barretta said Tuesday. "I think that between the two schools we have the number of spaces needed to serve all the children who are not in other programs." She said she was probably talking about no more than 110 children.

Not all parents in lower-income households, however, can afford the pre-school fees.

The YWCA program is supported by parental contributions, the United Way, private donors, and the YWCA's own fund-raising efforts. Tuition is \$4 an hour; and flexible schedules are available. Ninety percent of the children are on scholarships of varying amounts.

Tuition at the Princeton Nursery School is based on annual income and family size. The program is subsidized by the state Division of Youth and Family Services (DYFS), which pays a portion of tuition for more than half the children. "The average tuition is about \$500.

Both schools are looking for support, according to Ms. Barretta. "I think we are at the point now where we are comfortable with each other and with the course of action spelled out in the resolution," she noted. "With the help of people who are not part of our organizations, we hope to spread general public awareness of the importance of early childhood education."

The board of education is not offering financial aid; instead, its resolution lets the community know that the district is ready to assist pre-school programs with its educational expertise, encouragement, and moral support.

\$5,000 Study

The resolution specifically authorizes the superintendent to spend up to \$5,000 to conduct a study "through the Princeton Early Childhood Partnership among the Princeton Regional Schools, the Princeton Nursery School, and the YWCA Valley Road School." The study would be partially funded by each member of the three-way partnership.

The resolution also authorizes the superintendent to appoint a committee that will evaluate results of the study and report back to the partnership, and further authorizes the superintendent to work with all early childhood education providers in Princeton to support them "as they academically prepare their children for kindergarten."

"I am very excited about this initiative," commented Dr. Graber. The importance of early childhood education in a child's future academic development cannot be over-emphasized, he said.

He pointed out, as does the resolution, that improved kindergarten preparation for economically disadvantaged and minority children would reduce PRS expenditures on remedial education.

"Many of the youngsters from the two pre-school programs will enter the Princeton Regional Schools," he stressed. "It is important that we work closely with those who provide their early childhood education."

Dr. Graber suggested also, that PRS involve teachers from the two pre-schools in meetings with district kindergarten teachers and in other forums on early childhood education. "It is rare to have a public school and two pre-schools working so closely together," he said.

Attempts to reach Nursery School Board President Gab-

riel Lependorf were unsuccessful, but Ms. Barretta said she understood there were several areas of possible collaboration between the two schools and the district, including the convening of consultants "to help the pre-schools develop an assessment tool for evaluating program and tracking the children through school."

She mentioned, also, that collaboration with the regional schools could provide pre-school children with enhanced opportunities for art and music enrichment activities.

Once community members have grasped the importance of early childhood education, and seen the PRS commitment, she suggested, their support is more apt to be forthcoming.

—Anne Rivera

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Town Meetings

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was very strong support for structured parking from about 80 percent of those responding. The type of structured parking shown among the computer-generated images included structures that were partially underground; those partially above ground; a very well-designed garage; and a

parking structure that included multiple-use structure that retail at the ground level, included a library, cinema, much the way Palmer parking, and restaurants. They Square's Hulfish North garage were among the 107 images shown, which ranged from current conditions through

Among the images shown by minimum, moderate, and maximum revitalization. Prof. Nelessen, in addition to the garage concepts, were a housing complex on the empty Paul Robeson Place site composed of elegant three-story brick townhouses, and a

The fourth significant finding was that any alternative to downtown parking, such as any form of peripheral parking, was unacceptable, said Prof. Nelessen.

The People Speak

Close to 400 people came out for these two Chamber of Commerce-sponsored town meetings which had been called by retired Princeton attorney Reeves Hicks to explore the future of downtown Princeton. By the end of the second presentation, hundreds had taken advantage of a way to provide input on what they would like downtown Princeton to become.

In his introduction to the 8 p.m. meeting, Prof. Nelessen, a member of the team that designed the original plan for the renovation of Harvard Square, said Princeton was a very special place, and one which was growing and evolving. He also noted that every one of 12 studies that had been done in the past had called for the construction of a parking structure in the downtown.

Borough Council this year began the process of discussing whether to build a parking garage in the Central Business District. The subject will be continued at a future Council meeting, when a study now under way of the current downtown parking situation will be reviewed. If a garage is to be built, it will most likely be constructed at the current Park-and-Shop (library) lot.

Prof. Nelessen will provide the results of the questionnaire and visual preference study to the Chamber of Commerce. At some point, he hopes to see the public continue its input on the downtown at a larger forum. This could include a public presentation and a discussion of the results of the two town meetings held last week.

—Myrna K. Bearse

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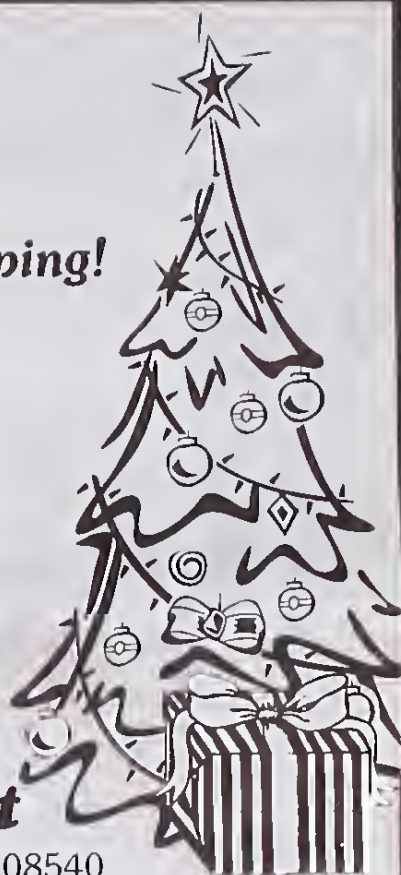
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Adult classes will include photography, ceramics, painting, drawing, and writing. Both photography and ceramics classes are offered at both the beginner and intermediate level. Open studio time is available for students enrolled in adult ceramics classes; and extra darkroom time is available for photography students.

Painting classes for adults include a decorative painting course and a painting workshop. Instruction in water color to pastel and pastel drawing II will also be offered this season.

Another new addition to the adult classes this semester

will be a writing course entitled "A Sense of Place." Students will read from their own work, listen to that of others in the class, and learn techniques from published writers.

For parents with children, 2½ to 3 years old, the Arts Council will offer a parent and child class called "Exploring Art Together."

There are still openings in children's and teens' classes in ceramics, portfolio preparation, dance, and photography. "Portfolio Preparation" is a new offering for high school students, ages 13-18, who may be applying to a degree program in art or have a keen interest in art. Participants will draw from observation, using still lifes, figures and the natural environment.

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A newsletter containing information on all winter

classes, upcoming events, and workshops is available through the Arts Council. To register, call 924-8777.

Gallup Book Surveys U.S. Religious Landscape

Two Princeton authors — George Gallup Jr. and D. Michael Lindsay — will celebrate the release of their new book, *Surveying the Religious Landscape*, at Borders Books & Music, 601 Nassau Park, on Saturday, December 18, at 3.

Mr. Gallup, chairman of The George H. Gallup International Institute and co-chair of The Gallup Organization, is executive director of the Princeton Religious Research Center. His other books include *The Saints Among Us* and *Scared: Growing Up in America*.

Mr. Lindsay is a consultant for theology, religion, and culture to the Gallup Institute. He has worked in the academic and corporate worlds and is now pursuing a master

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Public Forum to Discuss Proposed Millstone Bypass

The Millstone Bypass is the topic of a public forum that is being held at the Whole Earth Center this Thursday night. The evening's discussion will be led by representatives from a coalition of local organizations that oppose the building of the roadway.

They include Richard Barrett of Sensible Transportation Options Partnership (S.T.O.P.), George Hawkins

of the Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association, and Mary Penney of the Sierra Club.

Topics for discussion will include the current status of the Millstone Bypass, a look — with maps — at the proposed alignment, how the road will impact the Millstone River and adjacent lands, how the road will impact traffic flow in the Princeton area, alternative ideas for dealing with regional traffic, and strategies for citizen action in opposition to the Bypass.

The public forum will be held on Thursday, December 16 at 7:30 p.m. in the Whole Earth Center Cafe. The Whole Earth Center is at 360 Nassau Street.

Hospital Reports Births To 12 Area Residents

The Medical Center at Princeton has reported births to 12 area residents for the week ending December 9.

Daughters were born to

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Sons were born to Shashi and Sushama Rane, Pennington, December 6; Sunil Ramakrishna and Sujata Sridhar, Plainsboro, December 6; Joerg and Briditte Kloppert, Princeton, December 7; Kenneth and Deborah Kociban, Plainsboro, December 8; Michael and Stacy Mattia, Princeton Junction, December 9; and Hugo Vega and Lety Reyes, Princeton, December 9.

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Montero's Effigy Can Breathe Easy; Burning Idea Nixed

It's back to the drawing board for the sophomore class officers who are trying to devise an alternative to the banned Nude Olympics — a 20-plus-year-old Princeton University tradition in which sophomores ran around in the buff to celebrate winter's first snowfall.

After having several ideas shot down by the administration, which must approve the

alternative event, it briefly appeared as if the students would burn an effigy of lame-duck dean of student life Janina Montero. Ms. Montero headed a committee that recommended banning the event after 10 students were hospitalized with alcohol poisoning or other Nude Olympics-related ailments last January.

Ms. Montero, who will start a new job at Brown University with the new year, is involved in the development of the alternative event, and she reportedly had no qualms about being burned in effigy.

The effigy was apparently proposed as a joke, and was only taken seriously when other ideas, like a bonfire or a swimsuit party, were nixed.

Effigy Under Fire

After being publicized in the Daily Princetonian — a student paper — the effigy idea drew considerable fire. One critic was newly elected student body president P.J. Kim, who felt the event would cast Princeton in a bad light, according to an article in the Trenton Times.

Sophomore class president Ben Shopsis reportedly got over 100 e-mails criticizing the burning of a Montero effigy, and will try to devise a different event.

The students have had a hard time reconciling their desire for a spontaneous event with the university's insistence that such an event must be manageable.

There have been whispers that some students will defy the ban. But doing so has severe consequences. Students who defy the Nude Olympics ban will be suspended for a year, according to university spokesperson Justin Harmon.

When and if it does snow, university personnel will be patrolling campus, on the lookout for streaking sophomores. The university has said these personnel will be armed with cameras — to identify runners.

Since Ms. Montero will be leaving soon, and snow-free Decembers are common in these parts, there is a strong chance she would have been in Providence when her effigy was burnt, anyhow.

—Albert Raboteau

Book Discussion Group To Read Arundhati Roy

The December Book Discussion at the Princeton Public Library will meet on Thursday, December 16, at 10 a.m. The group, which is open to all interested readers, will discuss *The God of Small Things* by Arundhati Roy. Paperback copies of the book are available for purchase at the library, 65 Witherspoon Street.

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Two Town Meetings Offered Visions Of Attractive CBD with Ample Parking

To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

Various schemes for the improvement and/or development of downtown Princeton were explored last week at two excellent town meetings. I went to one of them and was impressed and excited by what I saw: a truly attractive downtown with ample parking. Imagine!

Thoughtful development of the downtown area is a necessity if a further exodus to the malls is to be avoided. If what we saw at the meetings is any indication, a vigorous downtown with a dynamic mix of retail, restaurants, residential facilities, services, and cultural activities is a real possibility.

Using computer-generated imaging, the organizers of the meetings imposed ideas for landscaping, artfully concealed parking and some new construction over photographs of existing downtown areas. The photographs were then shown as slides, and the public was asked to rate the appropriateness of each concept it was shown. The results were truly arresting. The standing-room-only crowd at the midday meeting I attended seemed enthusiastic and energized over what they saw and what might be.

Perhaps the downtown parking problem was the genesis of these meetings. The concepts brought forth last week addressed this concern with innovative solutions and additional ideas for the future. Congratulations are in order to those who organized these stimulating meetings: the Princeton Business Association, chaired by Reeves Hicks, and Professor Anton Nelessen, professor of urban planning at Rutgers University, and his students. I hope for more of such meetings.

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Companies Encouraged to Provide Parenting Training in the Workplace

To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

This fall there have been many news headlines about children and violence, harassment, and abuse. Preschools are teaching “aggression prevention, self-regulation and emotion control” to their 3 and 4 year olds. Schools are taking elaborate measures to secure their buildings and protect students from their fellow students. Non-violent conflict resolution is being taught to students at all grade levels. Who is teaching the parents to support these programs and encourage their children towards responsible and cooperative behavior?

This fall Merrill Lynch, at the World Financial Center in New York City, provided a six-week course to their employees called “Active Parenting Today” at lunchtime once a week. The program provided information and skills training for parents to use to support these goals for their children. With a focus on the qualities of courage, cooperation and responsible behavior, parents learned positive discipline techniques that supported their children's self-esteem in a non-violent, encouraging manner.

Sponsored by Merrill's department of “Organizational Change & Wellness,” managed by Bernadette Fusaro, employees were provided with the training they needed to do their other job — “Parenting” — while they were at the job. One person in the class commented that this was the “best thing that the company has ever done for me and the most meaningful for my family.”

If more companies like Merrill Lynch would provide “Parenting Education,” their employees would benefit with fewer problems at home plus more energy and focus to bring to the job. “Parenting Education,” like the Active Parenting Today program, is the best kind of problem prevention money can buy for helping children grow into responsible, cooperative and contributing adults. Parenting is the only job that does not require formal education and training. “Hats off” to Merrill Lynch for being a leader by providing Parent Job Training in the workplace; a company that is doing something proactive for its employees and their families. Keep up the good work and maybe other companies will follow the leader.

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To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

AFS Intercultural Programs Princeton chapter thanks our loyal supporters who bought cartons and cartons of grapefruit and oranges and made generous contributions to our scholarship fund. The proceeds from the citrus sale and the donations will enable us to help enthusiastic high-school age students go on exciting adventures overseas.

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We have had an active chapter since 1950, hosting hundreds of AFSers from all continents and sending well-qualified students from our area private and public schools abroad. So far, we have nine applicants, many requesting financial aid; one has been recommended to fill one of only three openings available to New Jersey students to go to Fukui, Japan. No student has ever been excluded from participation due to lack of funds, but, predictably, expenses have escalated.

Our scholarship fund honors the memory of Joan Nielsen, a dedicated volunteer who, along with her family, administered our organization, hosted many foreign students and sent a son and daughter on AFS programs. Please help us continue to give our young people insight into another culture.

The chapter is indebted to our small crew of volunteers: Bob and Andrew Sicora, Robin and Frank Rusciano, who managed the citrus sale; Ms. Agrusti and her industrious students; Dr. John Kazmark and Princeton High School's office and custodial staff; Faith Liverman, Ben de Angelis, Nicholas Shongu, applicants; Clement Gabriel-Angada, our AFS student from France; Josh Teweles, newsletter; Marvin Preston, treasurer.

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VICTORIA CHU MOY
Ewing Street

Choices for Central Business District Should Aim to Keep Downtown Vibrant

To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

I found the "Envisioning Downtown Princeton" presentation last Wednesday about choices for the central business district fascinating. Here are some of the reactions I had:

Princeton is extremely lucky that our downtown has not been obliterated by surrounding shopping malls, as has happened to so many towns. We need to recognize that our Central Business District needs to be kept vibrant or it will die. If this means building on the municipal parking lots and getting more traffic, that is a small price to pay. Let's try, though, to have a greater variety of retail outlets so all of us can do most of our shopping in town.

Any new buildings ought to be harmonious with our genuine colonial and Victorian architecture as well as the numerous classical through contemporary styles of the university campus and on Nassau and Witherspoon streets. This is a historic town, and that fact should be foremost in our minds as new buildings and public areas are designed. Conversely, we need to find creative ways of beautifying such eyesores as the news boxes (by enclosing them) and the traffic signage.

Most important, we need to remember why we all moved here. The sociology of Princeton with all its glorious diversity must be preserved and enhanced. The town also has to be very sensitive to the John-Witherspoon neighborhood. It has been violated too often in the past and its residents are already upset by the Arts Council expansion. Building a "Berlin Wall" is not the solution to the ugly appearance of Paul Robeson Place.

NIELS H. NIELSEN
Moore Street

Thanksgiving Service Should Be Inclusive; We Have a Lot to Learn From Each Other

To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

I am writing in response to Niels Nielsen's letter published in this column on December 1. [TOWN TOPICS, December 1] He commented on the annual Thanksgiving service held in the University Chapel by members of the Princeton Clergy Association. Noting a lack of diversity in the order of service and participating clergy, he said he hoped that in the new millennium the service would become more inclusive — a real "community" service.

Because people of many races, languages, cultures and religions have found and are finding a home in Princeton, I agree wholeheartedly with Mr. Nielsen's sentiment. Giving gratitude together in our unique ways certainly blesses our community and strengthens our commitment to the common good.

Mr. Nielsen mentioned Christian Science as one of the groups not represented at the service. I was delighted to see this public recognition of our church's place in the community, and would like only to add that for two years we did actually participate in giving the Thanksgiving service, and almost always some members attend. However, since its beginnings in the early 1900s, First Church of Christ, Scientist, Princeton, like other Christian Science churches around the country, has had a long-standing tradition of holding a healing service for the community on Thanksgiving morning. Giving thanks is an integral part of our worship, and this service has a special place in the hearts of Christian Scientists, often attracting a large number of visitors. When the community Thanksgiving service is scheduled at the same time, it makes the choice a difficult one.

During the three years I've attended the monthly meetings of the Princeton Clergy Association as the representative of my church, I've been deeply touched by the warm welcome I've received. Attending the meetings has certainly broadened my outlook. Even in this seemingly homogenous group we have a lot to learn from each other.

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ART REVIEW

Compelling Photography Exhibit at University Includes "Black Crocs" and a Deathroom

Contemporary Photographs from the Permanent Collection

The Art Museum
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Through January 9

If you missed an exhibition of photographs entitled *Imagining the Body*, which closed on December 12, this show will afford you a second chance to sample some of the treasures in the University collection.

This grouping (a different set of photos) is another no-fanfare "Precept Show," intended for insiders. Because it is open to the public, however, it turns out to be a gift to the community.

Like the "Body" exhibit, curated by Professor by Carol Armstrong, this exhibition contains many examples of the post-modern sensibility. Most of the artists were born in the '50's and '60's.

Whereas "Body" dealt with that temporal container of the human spirit, this show has no such thematic center. "Body" raised issues of beauty and ugliness, with a subtext of voyeurism. This show is more ideologically and stylistically varied; and it underscores just how far the art of photography has come in the last decade of the 20th Century.

Selected by Professor Peter C. Bunnell and associate curator Toby Jurovics, the exhibition includes the work of Laura McPhee, class of 1980. She and Virginia Beohan collaborated to produce the work *Blue Lagoon*, a geothermal swimming hole under the shadow of a behemoth pumping station in Iceland. The chromogenic print is alive with robust color.

The show also includes a print by Lee Friedlander, the established master and visionary of city life.

It is a restless group of emerging artists, however, that engage our attention. Each artist is represented by a single print. As we move from one image to another, the show delivers a heady experience, along with the realization that these artists cannot be classified under a single rubric.

Photographers' Bias

This show illustrates two different approaches to photography. One could be labeled "intervention," while the other resembles photo documentation.

The latter might propose a moral truth, or cause célèbre, as in the work of Walker Evans (not included in the show). This point of view descends from the documentation of social struggles, as in the WPA era, and retains the bias of the photographer.

Where the photographer's bias is neutralized, in the non-intervention approach, more is demanded of the onlooker. During the 1960's, John Szarkowski, director of the photography department at the Museum of Modern Art, promoted this approach; and it is exemplified in the work of Garry Winogrand (not included).

A gelatin silver print by Fazal Sheikh (Class of 1987), *Hadija and Her Father*, is an example of non-intervention. Hadija, a Somali refugee, appears to be 7 or 8 years old. Her head is shaved and she stares vacantly into the lens. Her father is cropped just out of view, although his hand is placed reassuringly on her left shoulder. The photographer notes that Hadija has been mute since losing her mother in a border crossing.

The photography of intervention includes various degrees of alteration — usually in the form of staging, posing and

prop inclusion, borrowed from the techniques of advertising photography.

When intervention dissolves into imitation, photography mimics art or art events. Such is the case in Michiko Kon's print, *Dress of Cicadas*, on view here. This is an unabashed homage to an early assemblage by Salvador Dali, a dinner jacket similarly festooned with shot glasses.

Gregory Crewdson's comic print *Untitled*, explores a world where stuffed animals, birds, and artificial berries imitate real life. Theatrics rule; and a Cindy Shermanesque sense of otherness opens like a curtain to the question, "Who am I now?"

Similar question arise upon viewing *Black Crocs* by Diane Kornberg — a freshly unwrapped package reveals the unlikely contents of assorted crocodile jaws, each discreetly numbered.

The campy melodrama continues to unroll in Robert Dawson's print of two boys engaged in a mock sinister game of playacting somewhere on a Paiute Indian reservation in Nevada. One points an oversized pistol at the head of the other, while a dog sleeps at his feet.

Wanda Hammerbeck integrates the slogan *Living Beyond the Resources* with the image of a massive western dam under blue skies and puffy white clouds. The combination of text and image, recalling the work of Barbara Kruger, is compelling.

Words are absent, but an analog wall clock is very much present in Lucinda Devlin's deathroom *Electric Chair Greenville*. It's just the empty chair, accompanied by the

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SOMALI REFUGEES: This photograph of "Hadija and Her Father," by Fazal Sheikh, was taken at a Somali refugee camp in Kenya in 1993. It will be on exhibit at the The Art Museum at Princeton University until January 9.



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clock, reflected in one-way glass, and frozen at 12:10.

Whether photographers conceal or exercise their bias, the print is the final arbiter of reality. The onlooker becomes a participant in the art of seeing.

For more information, call 258-3788.

Going Global

Contemporary Fine Art from Around the World — from Princeton to Reykjavik
Pringle International Art/Williams Gallery
8 Chambers Street
Through January 22

There is a mixed bag of work on view here. All are professional artists, but their work leans heavily to the decorative. This art is intended to please the eye and enhance the interior.

Of the artists with a Princeton connection, we liked Margaret Kennard Johnson's small intaglio print of Richardson Hall, abandoned chairs and music stands, capturing the moment just before the hall clears — or the performers enter.

Other artists whose work is inspired by Princeton locations include Michael Berger, Jane Eccles, and Robert Sakson.

Mr. Erdman, the only sculptor in the group, also shows the only non-objective work. He shows five small, limited-edition bronzes that seem to be based on a mobius strip (Figure 8). One piece bursts into a romantic blush of blue as it folds into the space around it.

"Going Global" means imports; and there are several canvases by Prague-born Mexican artist Tanya Kohn. (Her work is signed "Tanya"). In a painting called *Winds*, she roils the surface of the canvas in what appears to be modeling paste. It is raked and swirled into a heavy impasto. Once dry, fluid pigment is flowed into grooves, creating a gritty mix that rises like the surf.

Salvatore Magazzini prefers vistas that include clusters of buildings. He works and reworks the surface of oil-prepared paper. The penitence effect that results from revising



COLOR LIKE TROPICAL FRUIT: Painter Salvatore Magazzini's sunny view of Moroccan dye basins, "Tintorie," where indigents color rugs using age-old methods will be at Pringle International Art/Williams Gallery, 8 Chambers Street, through January 22.

seems more scripted than genuine.

Tintorie, a cubist-like composition, depicts elliptical dye basins that are integrated into the horizontal geometry of the architecture behind them. The artist's color, like ripening tropical fruit, pummels the surface.

Icelandic painter/printmaker Karolina Larusdottir creates little figurative psycho-dramas. Her figures are various sizes, large or small, according to her own hierarchy. A miniaturized couple, for example, party atop a bowler hat which sits on the head of a fine English gentleman.

Like Ms. Larusdottir, Mary Stork received her art education in England. While she was at the Slade School, she worked under Henry Moore, and traces of the master's influence can be detected in her color drawings of female nudes. These figures are composed of unbroken, sweeping curves — a technique which also suggests African tribal art.

So crowded with work was the gallery that we almost overlooked a fetching little bronze by Jerome Collins, 1999. This piece — which stands 10 inches high, including marble base — is so pancake flat that it begs to be a wall piece. A cherubic face sits astride a miniature two-legged horse of cerulean blue. The face is tilted and smiles sweetly like a curious little cat. Aptly titled *Horse Dream*, this piece is pure magic.

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Exhibits

An exhibition of pastel landscapes by Solebury artist Julia Akers Gribbin will be at **The Dining Room Gallery**, 183 North Union Street, Lambertville, through January 22.

Ms. Gribbin has been a member of the Ivyland Art League since 1995, where she studies with Director Ellen Hall. Recently one of her autumn landscapes was featured on PBS television. She has shown her work at a number of area galleries and museums, including the Wagner Museum; and her work is in private collections throughout the region.

University Museum Closed Two Weekends

The Princeton University Art Museum will be closed Friday and Saturday, December 24 and 25, Friday, December 31, and Saturday, January 1. It will reopen to the public at 1 on Sunday, January 2. The museum will not be open on New Year's Eve for "Curtain Calls," the traditional Arts Council of Princeton program.

Normally, the museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, from 10 to 5, and on Sunday, from 1 to 5. It is closed on Monday and on major holidays. For more information, call 258-3788.

The gallery is located in Bell's restaurant and is open daily from 5 to 10, or by appointment, at 397-2226.

Two Hunterdon County artists, Ron Lent and Alexander Farnham, are showing their work at the **Coryell Gallery**, 8 Coryell Street, Lambertville. Their work will remain there through January 9. Both artists paint on location and share a reverence for preserving the American scene.

Mr. Farnham, a noted landscape painter, is known for his interest in patterns of light and shadow on architectural form. A student at the Art Students League, he also served as an artist for the Navy during World War II.

He has won a number of awards, including a Fellowship award from the NJ State Council on the Arts in 1980. He has exhibited throughout the U.S. and Canada and his paintings are in many museums, as well as in private collections.

Mr. Lent's traditional approach, his love of color and light, and his distinctive style have earned his watercolors more than 50 awards and medals in the past 15 years. One of his paintings was chosen to be published in *Best of Watercolor 3* this year.

The artist, a resident of Stockton, is an elected member of the NJ Watercolor Society.

Spirin to Sign Books At the Firebird Gallery

On December 18 from 1 to 2 illustrator Gennady Spirin will sign *The Nutcracker*, the King James version of *The Christmas Story* and his other books at the Firebird Gallery, 15 Witherspoon Street. The books are available at the gallery, along with the original pictures from the award-winning books.

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Artist Couple Wins Watercolor Awards

Skillman residents Charles McVicker and his wife Lucy Graves McVicker have each won an award in the Garden State Watercolor Society's 30th annual juried exhibition, now hanging at the New Jersey State Museum, West State Street, Trenton.

Mr. McVicker won "A Friend's Award — Dorothy and Charles Plohn, Jr.," for a realistic painting, entitled *Lamington*, which shows a country porch. Mrs. McVicker garnered the Cotswold Industrial Award, for her *The Stote of the Gorden*.

The Watercolor Society show will remain at the Trenton museum through January 2. Museum hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 9 to 4:45; and Sunday, noon to 5. For more information, call 292-6464.



LANDSCAPE AT PDS: This watercolor is included in an exhibition of landscapes and pottery by Princeton Day School history teacher Gary Lott, which will be at the Anne Reid Art Gallery at PDS through December 18.

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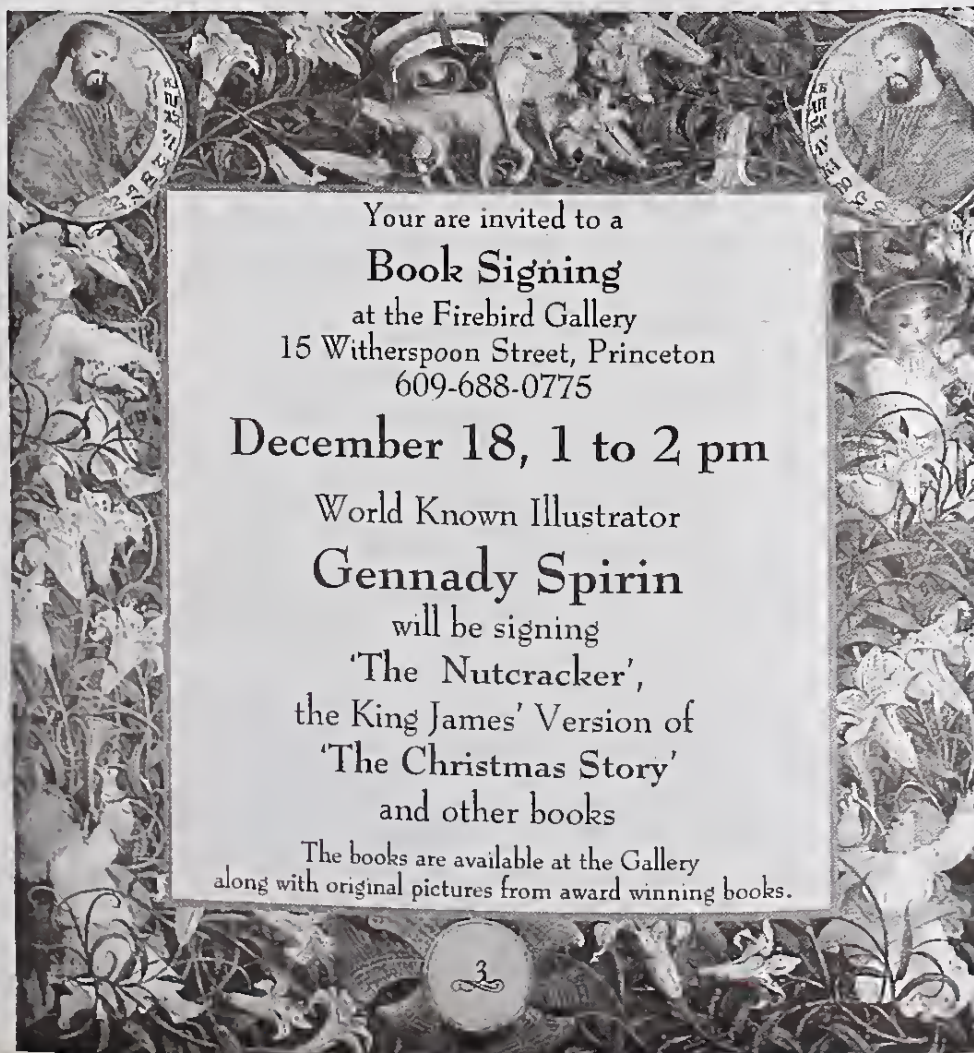
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The estate collection is always important for those who like jewelry with a history.

Watches are certainly a specialty, with more than 20 Swiss brands available, priced from \$100. Quality is the key, and such lines as Rolex, Jaeger-LeCoultre, and Patek Philippe are big sellers.

Hamilton's giftware section offers a full selection, beautifully displayed. Sterling silver

includes Christofle and Tiffany, and Lalique, Baccarat, and Hoya offer a complete line of crystal.

Caviar pieces, wine glasses (some with square bases), decanters and candlesticks, all beautifully etched, are on display, as are colored glass goblets.

Very popular at the store is the line of MacKenzie-Childs hand-done items, characterized by a whimsical and fun-loving style. They offer everything from cake plates, jugs, and pitchers to "school tie tuffets" and three-tier trays.

Handpainted ceramic in playful bursts of color by Droll Designs is surely droll! Multi-colored plates and dishes feature fun designs and sayings, such as "An unknown relative will leave you a large inheritance."

Hamilton offers gift certificates and gift wrapping, and hours are Monday through Friday 10 to 8:30, Saturday until 6, Sunday 12 to 5. The website is www.hamiltonjewelers.com.



A visit to the **Blue Raccoon** at 6 Coryell Street in Lambertville provides a wonderful range of gift ideas, home decorating tips, and gardening special-

ties. The store's appealing mix of furniture (a big part of the business), lighting accessories, giftware, and antiques is presented in a very engaging setting.

Glassware, ceramics, and lovely linens are all available for the table, and are welcome holiday gifts. The store's Italian pewter line is truly special, including a "Century" tea service, featuring red enamel detail on the handles, and exclusive to Blue Raccoon.

You can't have too many vases, and Blue Raccoon's handthrown selection in unique shapes and unusual ribbed design and super colors ranges from \$28 to \$35.

New this year are rolled beeswax dinner candles, which not only burn beautifully, but are especially easy to fit into the candle holder. A set of four for \$16.

Flowers and plants are always important at this garden-oriented store, and this time of year, the seasonal paperwhite bulbs are offered at 99¢ each, and they are also available pre-potted in pots or baskets, from \$18 to \$29.

For holiday decorating, porcelain bisque crabapple and pear ornaments are elegant choices to fill a bowl, ranging from \$3 to \$12. Beautiful Mercury glass ornaments in four colors with crackle frosted finish are another way to enhance your room, from \$10 to \$19.

Still in the holiday motif, a fragrant evergreen tree/bayberry candle is \$15, and a 100 percent wool hooked rug (30" by 42") featuring St. Nick, reindeer, and starry night design is \$99. New on the scene are special red and white "JOY" pillows, priced at \$55.

For something different, there is an intriguing wool throw (50" by 72"), featuring the journal pages of the Lewis & Clark Expedition. Made by the Fairbault woolen mill in Oregon, it is \$140.

Blue Raccoon offers wonderfully fragrant long-lasting soaps and bath products, (including special soapstone soap dishes at \$12). Also available is a selection of CDs, many for the holidays.

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FASHION WITH FLAIR: Phoebe Nissim, owner of Phoebe's women's shop at 4040 Quaker Bridge Road in Mercerville, is shown with a silver/gray chenille cardigan with shirred collar and cuffs, and covered buttons and pockets. Worn with a black paneled, slit-side skirt, it is a stunning holiday ensemble.

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Contemporary women's fashion is featured at **Phoebe's**, 4040 Quaker Bridge Road in Mercerville, and so is personal attention and fashion advice. This women's boutique highlights a selection that is fun and unpretentious, and at the same time exciting and sophisticated. Items are personally chosen by Phoebe, and the look is now, offering an interesting mix of textures, fabrics, and accents.

Stepping out for the Millennium? Phoebe's has a selection of stunning ensembles. A black slip dress with net overlay, embellished with appliqued pink flowers on the slip is also offered with wine slip and black overlay.

The beaded look is very in for this holiday season, and several of the dresses are reminiscent of those fun-loving 1920s. A super look is a charcoal gray simple sheath with very fine pinstripe, featuring silver gunmetal beaded straps, accented by a draped scarf, with beading on the scarf and at the hemline.

Versatility is the key to Phoebe's great casual wear. When you wear these outfits, you can hang out or go out. Lots of pants outfits, and also important is the quilted vested look.

Layering is important now, and a wide variety of tops to wear under suits and jackets include all colors in silk and washable fabrics, including long-sleeved underpinnings, from \$60.

Sweaters — a big part of the holiday, and Phoebe's selection is superb. Cashmere twin sets, short dressy chenille sweaters with tuxedo front feathers and at the cuff, and a great eggplant chenille cardigan with blanket stitching on the seams and covered

buttons, others with tassels and fringe.

A selection of handcrafted jewelry is on hand to complete the fashion statement, with necklaces, earrings, and pins big sellers in semi-precious stones, and sterling silver. Pearls are always a favorite. A triple strand of fresh water pearls with silk thread is very special, as is a sterling choker with semi-precious stones.

Phoebe's also has a selection of Brighton watches, from \$85, Brighton leather belts, as well as beaded and pony belts. Butterfly hair clips in rhinestone and multi colors are a party must at \$15.

Gift certificates and gift wrapping are available, and hours are Tuesday through Thursday 10 to 5:30, Friday until 8, Saturday until 5, Sunday 12 to 4.

Garden appointments and home accessories from Mexico are the specialty of **La Terraza** at 276 North Main Street in Pennington. A wonderful selection of handcrafted pottery and handblown glassware is featured in a wide price range.

In the extensive selection, which is so large that it extends into an area outside, customers will find pottery of all kinds. Decorative planters in many styles and sizes are on display, and one of the most popular items is the chiminea, a small outside fireplace. They are available in different sizes, including the small candle-holding chimineas, at \$72.

Also very popular are the "Circle of Friends" clay sculpture primitive design, offered in assorted sizes, from \$22. New this year are terra cotta piggy banks, with real personality and wonderfully expressive faces at \$29 and \$38.

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Animals are big at La Terraza, and there are lots of hand-carved frogs and turtles of all sizes and styles, including an enormous clay tortoise.

In addition, an extensive selection of Talavera offers a variety of items, including handpainted chicken and duck planters, very large decorative bowls, and an extremely decorative Ferdinand-like bull head.

Colorful picture frames start at \$18, and there are also many vases and charming small boxes with lids at \$18.

New this year is a selection of pewter tabletop accessories, including salad bowls and cheese servers, which are perfect for the holidays. They offer the simple elegance of a small scalloped dish, as well as the dramatic look of the "turned" candlesticks.

The store also has an excellent selection of glassware. Handblown in beautiful colors, it includes a wonderful set of red goblets, perfect for the holiday table, offered at \$72 for six. "King-size" is the way to describe the margarita grande glasses, also \$72 for six.

A selection of well-priced mirrors in metal and tile offers different sizes, and the popular "molcajeta" (mortar and pestle) made of volcanic rock, is also available.

High quality handblown decorative garden balls are in different colors and sizes, and also available is a series of topiaries, including myrtle and rosemary. A charming wreath topiary in a small pot is \$18, and the ivy wreath in a small planter is a wonderful gift at \$24.

La Terraza offers gift certificates, and hours are Monday through Friday 10 to 6, Thursday until 7, Saturday until 5, Sunday 12 to 5.

Gifts For Guys

A well-loved book can become a life-long companion, and books for the whole family are in abundance at the Princeton U-Store. All hardcovers are discounted 20 percent, and New York Times best-sellers 30 percent; paperbacks are discounted 20 percent.

Best sellers include *When Pride Still Mattered* (the life of Vince Lombardi) by David Maraniss (\$26); 'is, by Frank McCourt (\$26); *The New New Thing* by Michael Lewis (\$25.95); and the *Harry Potter* series by J. K. Rowling for \$33.51.

Princeton University alums will want *Princeton University*, the beautifully illustrated history of the University by Don Oberdorfer, offered at the special price of \$29.95; and the illustrated *Ivy League Autumn* by Richard Goldstein looks at college football's "grand old rivalries," (\$29.95).

Two "wannabe" Presidential candidates and Princeton University grads have written books. *Time Present, Time Past* by Bill Bradley is \$13 (paper), and *A New Birth of Freedom* by Steve Forbes is \$24.95.

Area authors include Gina Kolata who has written *The Story of the Great Influenza Pandemic of 1918 and the Search for the Virus That Caused It* (\$25); Princeton University art historian John Wilmerding, *Compass & Clock: Defining Moments in American Culture: 1800, 1850, 1900*, (\$45); and Toni Morrison, the children's book, *The Big Box* (\$19.99).

Other children's favorites are *Pat the Christmas Bunny* by Edith Kunhardt (\$14.99 with bunny, \$7.99 without), and *The Very Clumsy Click Beetle* by Eric Carle (\$21.99 with clicker).

Other books to keep in mind are *Love Poems* by Rumi, early 13th century poems from Persia, edited by

crafted by artists and craftspeople across the country and around the world. Items include everything from handpainted furniture, antiques from India, and handblown glass to colorful clocks, and fun night lights.

Oh No So Ho in the Southfield Center at 295 Princeton Hightstown Road (in shared quarters with MB Jewelers) in West Windsor features fun, functional, and whimsical art, gifts, and jewelry. The selection offers something for everyone on your list, and these are not items that you see everywhere else.

The store is filled with little surprises. Nearly all are hand-

New to Oh No So Ho this year are limited edition hand-made cookie jars by Harry Cavanagh in a variety of 1930s replica yellow cabs, police cars, fire engines, etc. "Wine butlers" are a fun way to dress up a bottle of wine (\$18), and you will also want the aluminum ice bucket with "2000" inscribed in gold figures, a hot seller at \$18.

Other handmade ice and champagne buckets are available in contemporary glass designs with whimsical candy-like appliques, also offered in martini glasses. Signed one-of-a-kind high end glass teapots, handblown in California, are in fabulous designs.

Ice cream will taste better with the All-U-Can-Handle ice cream scoop with handpainted handle in bright colors, also available in pizza cutters and salad servers, at \$50 and up.

If you can't remember where you put your glasses, the ceramic eye glass holders in a variety of pretty designs (swans, cats, flowers, etc.) will be a big help at \$19.

Annieglass, the handcrafted, sculptured glass and tableware, is a very important item at the shop, and new this year is the Star series of dishes with silver and gold embellishment.

Also popular is the Kurt McVay art glass, featuring one-of-a-kind fused glassware, signed by the artist, which is both decorative and functional.

Jewelry is a big seller at Oh No So Ho, and includes sterling silver, pearls and a variety of stones, from \$18 to \$600. Gift certificates and gift wrapping are offered, and hours are Monday through Thursday 10 to 6, Friday until 8, Saturday until 5:30, Sunday 11 to 4.



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Long noted for its wonderful woolen selection, Landau's on Nassau Street is now almost a creative center and gallery! It is currently featuring "Transformations," the annual show and sale of fine crafts from area craftspeople, which will run through December 28. In addition, a section of the store is devoted to Albert Einstein, including photographs, newspaper articles, and other memorabilia.

Of course, this long-time Princeton favorite store offers many wonderful woolen choices that will keep you warm from top to toe, and at excellent prices.

The best-selling high quality lambswool scarves are a great gift and an incredibly good buy, starting at \$9. There is a huge selection, with a big variety of plaids and colors. Regularly priced \$45 scarves are \$15, and bigger and wider styles, usually \$50, are \$12.

Pure cashmere are \$78, and pretty chenille scarves in subtle colors offer a dressy look at \$29. The popular Pashmina shawls, handmade in Nepal, are in 14 colors and \$189. And for the Millennium, how about a combination black tie scarf and earmuff set? In black velvet which reverses to attractive colorful patterns, accented with metallic gold thread, the scarves are \$62, and the earmuffs \$29.

Exclusive to Landau's are the handknit four-ply Icelandic wool sweaters (really like coats) from Yugoslavia. Very special indeed, they are in many wonderful patterns, and in assorted lengths. (\$395).

There are also handwoven cotton and boiled jackets from Annikki Karvinen of Finland, featuring vivid colors

and architectural designs.

Another Landau specialty is the fully lined mohair sweaters, which can be worn as jackets. Available in a variety of jewel tones, they are well-priced at \$149.

The Geiswein line of boiled wool jackets for adults and children, as well as kids' slippers and hats, are big sellers at the store, and offered in many styles and colors. Also from Geiswein are beautiful high quality wool challis skirts at \$149.

Landau's continues to expand its men's department, emphasizing a traditional look in a variety of prices. Beautiful camel's hair jackets are available, and cashmere sweaters are also big sellers. Basic dress shirts, flannel shirts, and Irish tweed caps (\$25) are on display, and for something really warm, there are the traditional Loden coats from Austria.

Once again, Oli, the fish man from Iceland, will be at the store from December 17 through the 24th, with his smoked salmon, including samples to taste.

Landau's offers gift certificates, and hours are Monday through Saturday 9:30 to 5:30, Sunday 11:30 to 4:30.



Nassau Street Seafood Co. at 256 Nassau Street is a Princeton favorite. Known for its super seafood and fresh produce, (and now a new restaurant — the Blue Point Grill), it offers lots of delicious holiday gifts and party ideas.

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and crab platter with 30 shrimp and 20 crab claws is another favorite, also \$34.99.

Salmon is always in demand, and poached Atlantic salmon and salmon en croute are favorites at \$12.99 per pound. One quarter and one pound pre-sliced smoked salmon packages from Norway, Scotland, and Maine range from \$4.99 to \$19.99 per package.

Other holiday specialties include broiler-ready lobster tails (\$7.99/4 ounces), calamari, herb crusted sea bass, baccala (salt dried cod), and of course, caviar. Very big this year from Russia, Alaska, and Canada. A holiday special is one ounce of Russian pasteurized Osetra for \$20.

All the hot and cold hors d'oeuvres are in full supply, including baby crab cakes, conch fritters, stuffed clams, clams Casino or oreganata, oysters Florentine, artichoke crab dip, Cioppino Nassau, sour cherry risotto, clams and oyster on the half shell, and the famous smoked tuna spread — and much more!

Non-seafood items include an excellent selection of fresh

local turkeys and Smithfield hams. The store has an expanded produce section, and it also carries the popular Terhune Orchard pies. Full-service catering is also offered for any size dinner, party, or event — everything from soup to nuts! Holidays are booked, but "post-Millennium" parties are a great idea!

Gift certificates are available, and for advice with menu planning, call executive chef Ed Bartejan, store manager Jose Lopez, and seafood buyer Colin Rooney. 921-0620.



A selection of distinctive, high quality lighting fixtures is the specialty of **Heritage Lighting** at 67 Bridge street in Lambertville. The store offers many choices, with an emphasis on chandeliers, sconces, and exterior lighting.

A variety of chandelier styles is on display, and many are unusual, handcrafted, and

CHRISTMAS CANDY: Nancy Robinson, owner of Robinson's Fine Candies in the Montgomery Center, holds two of the shop's special gift baskets. On the left is a bell basket filled with Robinson's signature homemade Christmas mints, available at \$14.95. On the right is the "Santa Sleigh" basket, containing red and green gumdrops, homemade chocolates, and foil Santa, for \$15.95.

exclusive to the store. They emphasize natural materials, such as wood, alabaster, tole, natural brass and copper, and iron. Choices include traditional crystal or French country handwrought iron, and an increasing number is imported from Europe.

In addition, Heritage Lighting is doing much more of its own design work, including glass bell jars, so appropriate for entry halls and foyers. A full selection of floor and table lamps is on display, as is the contemporary new sleek look offered in monorail lighting, especially popular in kitchens now.

Sconces have become more and more popular, and there is an assortment of wonderful Romanesque styles in alabaster, offering very warm ambient light, creating a soft and romantic atmosphere. Others, made in Lambertville, are

original designs, and feature a very clean architectural look.

In addition to its focus on lighting, the store has expanded its selection of furniture and accessories. There is a large variety of mirrors in all sizes, including beautiful handcarved wood frames from Italy. The bronzes, which are very much in demand, include four limited editions — large size children (among them a boy playing soccer) — as well as many other designs.

There is now a much expanded selection of furniture, including reproduction dressers and night stands in exotic woods from Egypt. Also available is an assortment of handpainted furniture, suitable for the bedroom.

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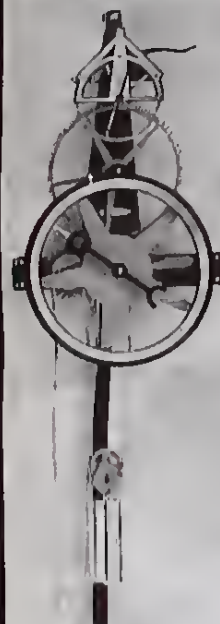
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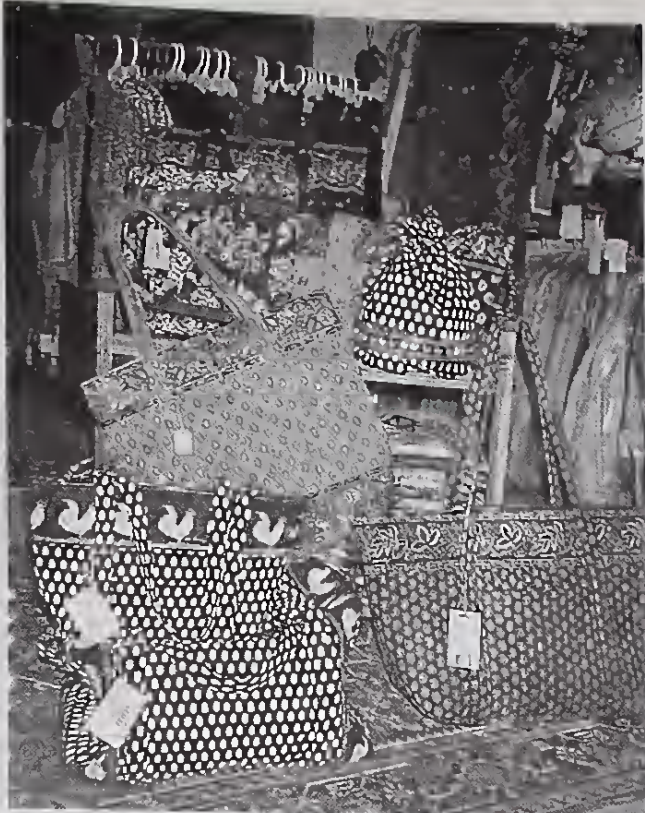
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You can always find a place to sit down at **Rider Furniture**, the popular furniture and home furnishings store at 12-14 Main Street in Kingston. Rockers of all kinds are very popular, and the handsome leather chairs, especially the Bradington Young line, available in green, navy or burgundy, in straight Chippendale leg or ball and claw leg, (\$1099) are a holiday favorite.

Particularly appealing is the sample child's room, filled with bunk beds, small chairs (including a glider rocker), tables and dressers, and a variety of other room settings are seen throughout the spacious store.

Cedar chests are wonderful holiday gifts, and there are many choices from country to traditional, including Lane chests from \$249. There is also a new selection of area rugs in many styles and custom choices.



ALL OCCASION BAGS: This display of the very popular Vera Bradley line of machine-washable quilted handbags, luggage and accessories is shown at the Piccadilly, the women's shop on Nassau Street. Included in the selection are handbags, duffel bags, cosmetic and coin cases, eyeglass cases, and a new line of black quilted dresser bags.

The accessory collection all sizes (including "touch" includes lots of lamps, clocks, lamps), and the solid brass candlesticks, and framed art, and leaded crystal table lamp. Floor and table lamps are in with silk shade is very special

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A variety of appealing miscellaneous items includes handsome wooden jewelry boxes and humidors, brass sconces with candlestick, decorative wall slates, some with holiday motif (\$14), very pretty glass snow-covered birds in red, blue, or green (\$25), and a big variety of candles reasonably priced.

Rider has a display of beautifully decorated handmade silk wreaths, centerpieces, and poinsettias, which look like the real thing, priced from \$25, and ornaments of all kinds decorate the store's two Christmas trees.

In addition, a charming "Christmas Corner," presents an assortment of Christmas items in a corner cabinet. Santa or snowmen salt and peppers are \$14, a Christmas mug \$10, tree-shaped candles \$2.49, and a super snowman cookie jar is \$30.

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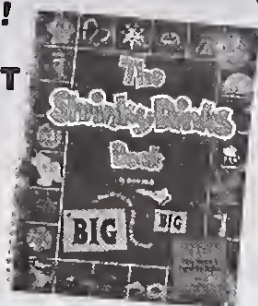
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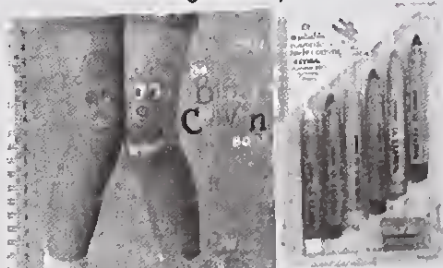
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items range from \$20 to \$200. Something for everyone's pocket book!

Gift certificates and gift wrapping are available, and hours are Monday through Friday 10 to 7, Saturday until 5.

Just setting foot inside Lucy's Ravioli Kitchen & Market at 830 State Road is enough to give you an instant appetite. This bright, cheerful food store offers take-home food, all prepared on the premises, that not only looks good and smells good, but tastes wonderful. Everything for the hungry in a hurry.

Homemade ravioli, pasta, salsa, and spreads are the specialties, but the ready-to-eat section is extensive. Super sandwiches and salads are all fresh and appealing.

One of the newest items in the store is crab triangoli — triangular ravioli made with herb pasta and filled with sweet cold water crab meat and ricotta cheese, available for \$13.99.

Special holiday items include panettones at \$8.99 each. Also, there is everything you need for entertaining from alici, truffle oil, imported oils, vinegars, lobster triangoli, and other delicious food to boxwoods, poinsettias, spring bulbs, and seasonal cocktail napkins for decorating.

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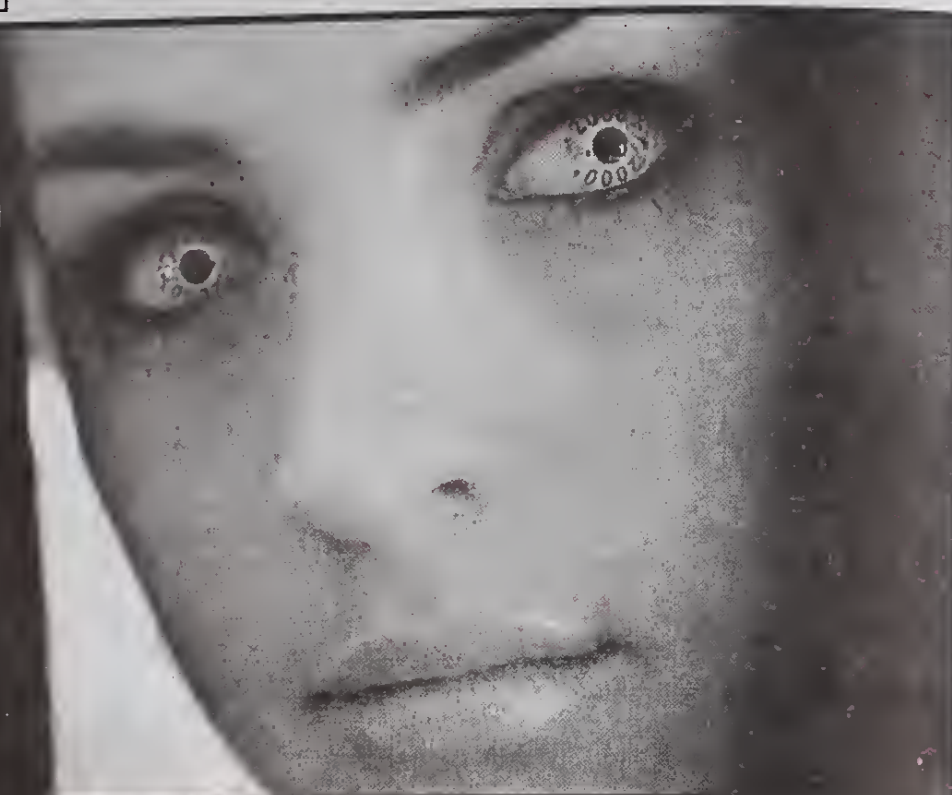
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The aroma of fresh-baked ham invites you inside when you visit **Heavenly Ham** in the Mercer Mall on Route One. Especially noted for its delicious ready-to-serve honey glaze spiral sliced ham, this has become one of the most popular places in the area.

The special flavor and the ease of serving make the ham a premier choice for entertaining, and a wonderful holiday gift. Half-hams with honey mustard are big sellers, and also popular are the outstanding varieties of smoked turkey, both available in gift boxes.

Heavenly Ham spare ribs and Omaha steaks including filet mignon and New York

loin strips, are also offered, and in addition, there is an expanded assortment of Heavenly Ham frozen side dishes. two-pound packages serve six to eight and are \$6.99. Sweet potatoes with pecans, garlic mashed potatoes, green bean casserole, broccoli and rice casserole, cinnamon apples, bread stuffing, and turkey gravy are all available.

Frozen cheesecakes are also popular, from \$9.99. And other favorites are the fresh fruit pies, baked on the premises.

The Oak Hill gourmet preserves in canning jars at \$9.95 are handsomely packaged, and other popular items are the Turtle Island soup mixes in great packaging at \$5.95, and the Mashuga Nuts — bags of cinnamon spiced pecans, with humorous sayings, at \$9.95.

Many customers look forward to one of Heavenly Ham's incredibly popular box lunches, including sandwich, potato salad or other side

dish, fresh-baked cookie or apple, and soft drink for \$5.89.

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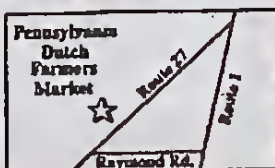


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Almonds and walnuts in shells by the pound (\$3.99 and \$3.49) and organic coffee are also in stock, including Jim's Organic Coffee and Equal Exchange Coffee in various roasts and flavors.

A big selection of teas includes Republic of Tea offered in attractive reusable tins in many flavors. Special for the holidays from Celestial Seasonings is Sugar Plum Spice tea at \$2.59.

The Whole Earth is noted for its wonderful organic produce, much of which is purchased from local farmers, and of course, no one can resist the selection of baked breads, muffins, and cookies



SLEIGH RIDE: Jacqui Dimino (left) and Mark Gandino of Crackerjacks in the Montgomery Center are ready for the snow. Jacqui shows a Paris classic wooden two-seater sled, and Mark holds a bright red two-seater, with steering wheel and brakes. A variety of other sleds is available at the store.

made from scratch every day. Special holiday items include fruit cake, cranberry loaf, pecan loaf, and ginger snaps, and there are also many vegan options.

While you are out shopping, stop in at the vegetarian deli, which now has a charming cafe as well as take-out service. Great sandwiches, soups, and salads hit the

spot, and new items include cashew loaves, nut and rice loaves, various tapinades, chutneys, and nut and mushroom pate.

Many gift items are found among Whole Earth's bath and aromatherapy sections. Soothing bath salts, loofahs and brushes, and super triple-milled vegetable soaps (\$3.75) can be purchased separately or in combination packages.

Burt's Bees gift packages include soap, cream and a honey of a balm, from \$6.25. Also special are the glycerine "Soap Critters" with little toys inside a bar of soap, for \$6.65.

A nice baby gift includes hypoallergenic shampoo, hair conditioner, and bubble bath (with a blower) for \$25.99.

A great gift is one of Whole Earth's canvas tote bags (\$6.99) filled with a variety of products, including organic fruits, chocolate, home baked cookies or bread, body lotion and bath items, aromatherapy specialties, calendar and cook book, and even a special catnip pillow for your favorite feline.

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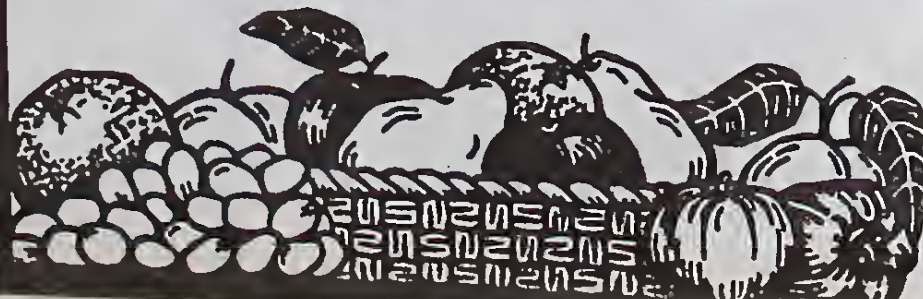
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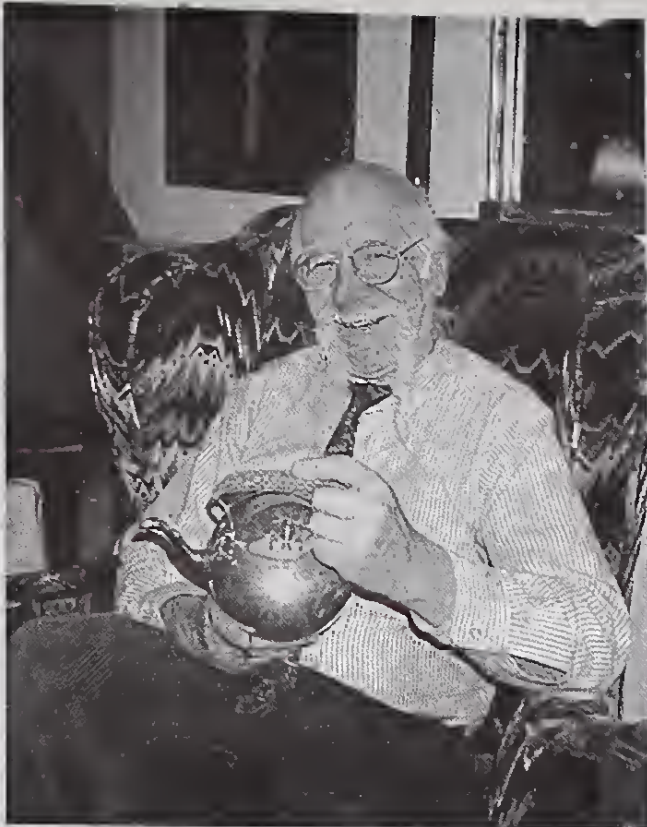


The price is right, and so is the quality and the service, at **Glendale Liquors** 4040 Quaker Bridge Road. A specialty of the store is its discount policy; with everything marked down — it's a sale every day at Glendale! In addition, for the holidays, there will be added discounts on certain case items.

The key this season is champagne, and it's going fast, especially at the higher end. Glendale has a big selection at all price ranges, however, including three offerings of Dom Perignon: 1990 vintage for \$129.99, '92 vintage at \$99.99, and '92 vintage with two crystal flutes for \$109.99.

Gift packages of all kinds are in abundance, and there are gifts for every taste and pocketbook. Gifts with glasses, shakers, decanters, and crockery are all on display.

There are chocolate-filled liqueurs, German beers with holiday mug for \$7.99, wine gift sets with two or three bottles from \$7.99 to Bolla package with four wines for



TEA TIME: Leo Arons, owner of The Gilded Lion on Chambers Street, holds an English sterling silver tea kettle, dating to 1732. It has an accompanying stand, and was made in London by a woman silversmith.

\$26.99. A Drambuie gift set includes a decanter and bottle for \$23.99.

Single malt scotches are very popular today, and gift

sets offer sample bottles of several kinds, including Bowmore with four different samplings of 12, 17 and 21 years, for \$6.99. There are also special holiday beer sets providing assortments, including Saranac and Sam Adams.

Cordials are great for holiday giving, and no one can resist the new Godiva cappuccino for \$17.99, and all those other after-dinner specialties, including a special gift set of B&B with two glasses at \$23.99, among many others.

A complete section of wines, including brandy and cognac, is offered, as is the full range of spirits of all kinds. If you can't decide, gift certificates are available, and hours are Monday and Tuesday 9 to 8, Friday and Saturday until 10, Sunday 11 to 5.



A gift that has personal meaning is the most special, and a photograph is one of the nicest holiday remembrances. A family photo sent to grandparents, a portrait of a child — these are gifts that will be treasured.

Portraiture and event photography are the specialties of **Lewis Kassel** of Hopewell, and he enjoys photographing individuals and family groups, often with the family pet as an important participant.

Mr. Kassel likes to emphasize a realistic look in his photographs. "I like to take people as they are," he says. "It can be difficult to get that defining moment, but if you can get the person to relax, you'll get a realistic picture. I really like realism. I want the person's inner self to come out."

"I enjoy taking pictures of children," he adds. "I try to establish a rapport with them. You have to get their attention, and I really strive for simplicity. Also, it's not kids' inclination to smile all the time. You're looking for that one turn, that one look, the one that can be just right."

Weddings are a particular pleasure for Mr. Kassel, too.

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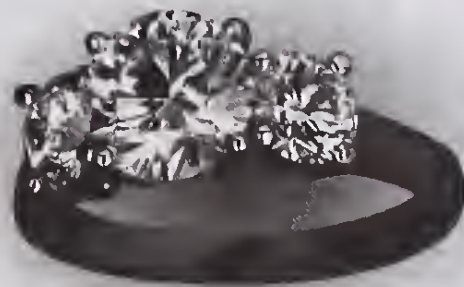
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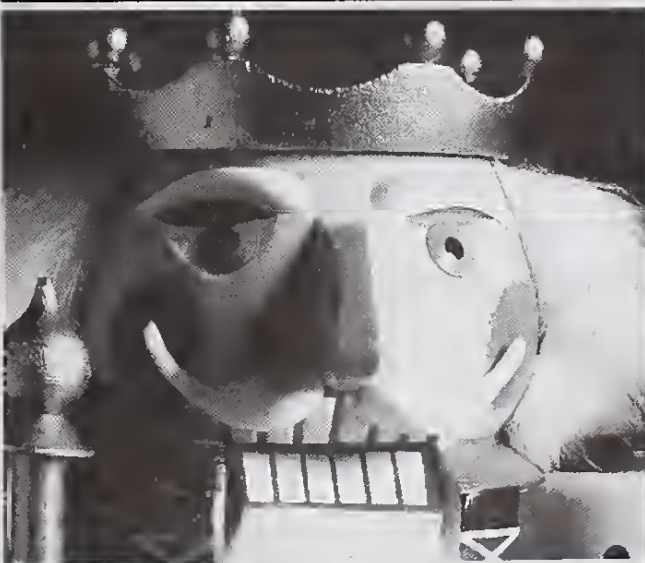
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and they are a big part of his business. He takes a more natural approach to the occasion, emphasizing candid shots, not just the traditional more formal pictures.

Mr. Kassel's charges vary, depending on the scope of the work. For portraits, the price per sitting includes proofs and/or contact sheets and an enlargement.

For holiday or Millennium celebration photos, it is best to make an appointment as soon as possible. Examples of Mr. Kassel's work can be seen on his website, www.lewis-kassel.com and he is available by appointment. 466-0267.



ELEGANT TABLE: Trinna La Placa of Nassau Interiors is shown by a handsome Sheraton cherry dining table with double pedestal. A beautiful silver plated large serving tray with English design is also seen, as is a pair of silverplated epergnes, suitable for holding flowers or candles.

Main Street specializes in The other showroom in the larger pieces, including a historic Lambertville House at selection of superb furniture, 32 Bridge Street focuses on primarily English, but also smaller items, with a country French and American. Also theme, including American accessories, such as lamps, handsome globes, and sconces.

New this year and exclusive to The Drawing Room is a selection of extraordinary dried flower arrangements by Steven Davis. In assorted sizes, they are really collector's items. A delicate diminutive arrangement is charming in a silver vase, and priced at \$125.

Cut glass decanters from Baccarat are an elegant addition to a Sheffield silver tray with grape accents, and a set of traveling decanters from the mid-19th century is certainly a help when you're on the go.

An expanded selection of framed prints from the 17th, 18th, and 19th centuries offers exceptional choices. There are very rare Dutch botanicals (1612), and Italian fountains (1610). French birds from 1730 have individual personalities, and the variety and quality of all these prints is remarkable.

Framed heraldic crests, including the Earl of Stratford's, make quite an addition to the library, and also unusual is the group of mid-19th century tray tables, featuring several designs, from English landscapes to Neo Classic styles in vivid colors to Oriental motif.

Also rare is the selection of French bouillote lamps from the mid-19th century, including some that are electrified.

A king-size Biedermeyer armoire from Austria with a very high gloss finish features a special tray for hats, and today its size makes it very appropriate for an entertainment center.

The Drawing Room is noted for its custom-made pillows using vintage fabric. There is an enormous selection, and all are made on the premises.

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Princeton University alums will want *Princeton University*, the beautifully illustrated history of the University by Don Oberdorfer, offered at the special price of \$29.95; and the illustrated *Ivy League Autumn* by Richard Goldstein looks at college football's "grand old rivalries," (\$29.95).

Two "wannabe" Presidential candidates and Princeton University grads have written books. *Time Present, Time Past* by Bill Bradley is \$13 (paper), and *A New Birth of Freedom* by Steve Forbes is \$24.95.

Area authors include Gina Kolata who has written *The Story of the Great Influenza Pandemic of 1918 and the Search for the Virus That Caused It* (\$25); Princeton University art historian John Wilmerding, *Compass & Clock: Defining Moments in American Culture: 1800, 1850, 1900*, (\$45); and Toni Morrison, the children's book, *The Big Box* (\$19.99).

Other children's favorites are *Pat the Christmas Bunny* by Edith Kunhardt (\$14.99 with bunny, \$7.99 without), and *The Very Clumsy Click Beetle* by Eric Carle (\$21.99 with clicker).

Other books to keep in mind are *Love Poems* by Rumi, early 13th century poems from Persia, edited by Deepak Chopra (\$12), and *River Horse: A Voyage Across America* by William Least Heat Moon (\$26).

An extensive selection of calendars in all categories is available, all 20 percent off through December.

a new line of fruit vinegars offers orange and pear. The new "Bread Dippers," olive oil and natural herbs and spices, are very popular at \$7.99 and \$11.50.

New this year is a selection of "Pep Art," colorful contemporary pepper mills in assorted sizes at \$40. Another super presentation is the assortment of teas, including a limited edition gift set from Republic of Tea, with ginger peach tea, scone mix, and ginger peach tea jam for \$19.95.

Cheese is one of the highlights at this store, with more than 300 different kinds from all over the world. Stilton, a traditional Christmas cheese, is available in individual wheels.

Bon Appetit offers full-scale catering, and there are special holiday menus available. Don't forget you can stop in for a quick cup of coffee, sandwich, soup, and pastry for lunch, and at the same time, pick up dinner to take home. The choices are outstanding, from smoked salmon, leg of lamb, roast chicken and turkey to meat loaf, and delicacies such as foie gras and caviar.

Gift certificates are offered, and hours are Monday through Friday 8 to 9, Saturday 9 to 6, Sunday 10 to 5.

Godiva has a number of Millennium specialties, including a set of two champagne flutes filled with the signature chocolates for \$48.

Bon Appetit features a special "Millennium" table with commemorative gift packaging, such as Walkers shortbread in a handsome Millennium tin (\$19.95).

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And, in addition, there are many gift choices in all price ranges. Everything from framed art (oils and prints), mirrors (including a charming fruitwood mirrored scone with goldleaf composition), to very pretty ceramic candlesticks with blue trim scrolls at \$48 are attractively displayed.

There is a big selection of pillows in all sizes and styles, from \$45, and new this year is an assortment of "Captured Fragments" framed poems and sayings, which include a collage of handworked fabric fragments, at \$38.

A Limoges vanity tray has a lovely delicate design (\$39.50), and the Limoges vase is equally pretty at \$44.50. Collectible teapots are great gifts in flower, orange blossom, pomegranate, and leaf designs in the \$49 range, and there are also glass decorative eggs at \$49. Pierced brass boxes with hinged lids are priced from \$25.



SANTA ON THE SCENE: Rie Huge-Jensen, owner of Bowhe & Peare on Palmer Square, holds a handcrafted Santa by Sylvia Carlson of Virginia. Created from natural fabrics, Santa sits on a sleigh. A variety of hand-done Santas in assorted styles is also available in this charming gift shop.

New this year is an assortment of fun — definitely not run-of-the-mill — indoor water fountains, including a hippo taking a shower and a ground hog with an umbrella, at \$260 and \$290.

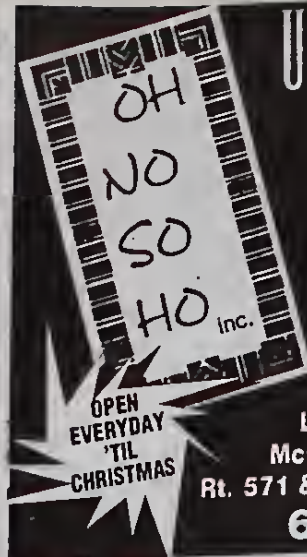
Machine-washable patchwork cotton quilts in several designs — including pretty pink motif for a little girl's room — are on hand, and there is a new selection of collectible hand-done whimsical dolls, wearing little hats and ankle bracelets.

Fruit is a favorite decorating resource this season, and Saums offers a veritable

feast, with faux lemons, oranges, peaches and grapes to watermelons, from \$3.50. Also nice are little bunches of faux African violets to add a decorative touch to a gift package (\$2.50).

Saums also has an intriguing jewelry collection, with unusual beaded bracelets (\$27.50), tassel pouch necklaces, and antique button bracelets, as well as a variety of the popular Art Deco hat pins. Also nice is one of the ceramic jewelry containers, not the typical jewelry box.

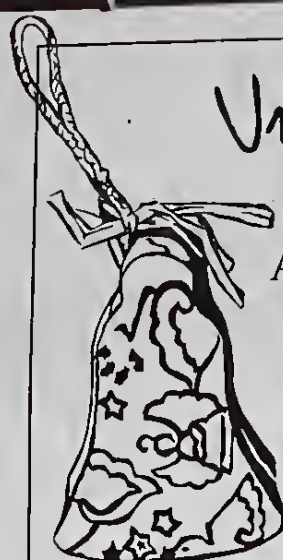
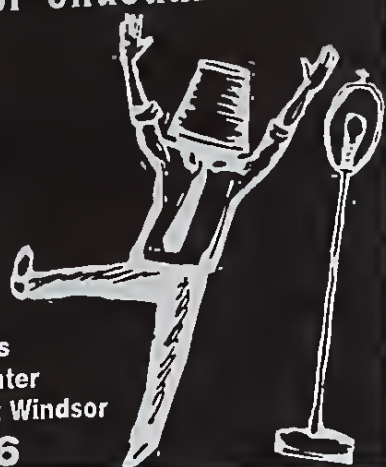
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All the loaves — baguettes, ficelle, batard, bastone, boule — are big favorites, with the Italian Ciabatta and the multi-grain especially hot sellers.

Witherspoon Bread will also offer special items for the holidays, including dinner rolls, such as multi-grain, rustic pecan, black olive, sun-dried tomato, pain de mie, and whole wheat.

In addition, a variety of fruit tarts, and cakes — flourless chocolate, pumpkin cheese, sour cream coffee, and strawberry short cake — will be offered, from \$20.

Witherspoon Bread is also available for wedding, birthday, Millennium, and other special occasion cakes, and special requests for desserts.

An assortment of gift items includes French preserves, at \$4.99 or \$1.25 for an individual size. Dijon mustards are \$2.75, and a very popular gift is the focaccia seasonings (\$4.99) and the Mediterranean oil at \$11.98. They are a nice holiday remembrance given together with a loaf of bread. Delicious homemade biscotti comes in pre-packaged bags for \$5.

It's also fun to stop in at Witherspoon Bread at lunchtime, for one of the popular sandwiches on wonderfully crusty bread. Ham with artichoke and hummus; roasted veggies; salmon on wheat; and tuna Provençal are just some choices.

Special orders will be taken for breads, rolls, and desserts for Christmas, to be available Christmas Eve. A tent will be set up next door for customers to pick up these items.

Gift certificates are offered, and hours are Monday through Saturday 7 to 7, Sunday until 5.



they are signed and numbered, and are wonderful for holding blankets or chenille throws.

Pottery tea sets in black and gun metal glazes by Michael Lambert feature curving, sculptural shapes. Also like sculpture are the four-foot high fireplace tools of wrought iron with great curving lines.

Just a few steps past the Lambertville House hotel on Bridge Street in Lambertville is the uncrowded and beautifully arranged **Kevin Kopil Furniture Gallery**. Against the backdrop of his handsome furniture in the Shaker and Danish Mission styles is a selection of many unique and lovely gift items.

Frank Lloyd Wright fans will appreciate the pieces here — pure lines and spare, sculptural shapes, echoing the Arts & Crafts Movement. People have especially admired the clean, smooth look of Mr. Kopil's designs and the high quality workmanship.

His most popular pieces are dining room and bedroom sets in bird's-eye maple. Entertainment centers are also favorites, and Mr. Kopil's designs can also serve as wardrobes and are available in different sizes. Other pieces in demand are tables, including occasional, end, and coffee, and also bookcases and pedestal/plant stands.

The gift selection nicely complements the furniture, with Simon Pearce bowls and goblets in the signature heavy, clear glass, and there is still time to buy the spectacular champagne flutes at \$62. Also from Simon Pearce is a three-inch table clock that floats in a solid glass cube, at \$88.

Uniquely beautiful handmade baskets by area resident Helen Schwartz are a store exclusive. Made of sea grass in many soft, earthy colors,

Soft green textured pottery vases and pots are a reproduction of an Arts & Crafts design that some customers have said is better than the original. There are also many one-of-a-kind small bowls and boxes in exotic woods, as well as horn and palmwood salad servers, also horn bowls and spoons, some under \$10.

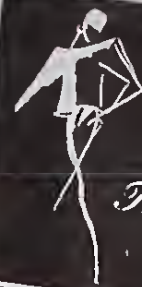
Super CD racks of brushed steel and wrought iron are in most unusual shapes, simultaneously contemporary and timeless, and there are beautifully-crafted jewelry boxes. Tortoise shell photo frames in many sizes start at \$15, and wonderfully soft chenille throws in exquisite subtle colors are in the \$200-\$300 range.

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Stocking Stuffers

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Tub Tints are fun for tots to put in the bath, \$6 at **Crackerjacks**, and toys for grown-ups include a mini mag flashlight and a magnetic screw driver with small flashlight, \$8 and up, from **Urken Hardware & Design**.

Travelers will like the money belt, inflatable neck rest, passport holder, travel book light, and shoe covers from \$6 to \$12 at **Luttmann's**, and another popular travel item is the small scented travel candle, \$7.50 at **Boxworks**.

The popular Vera Bradley cosmetic and eyeglass cases start at \$12 at **The Piccadilly**, and the red bikinis from **Edith's** are sure to please at \$9.50. There are hand-crafted eye pillows, \$36 at **Creative Hands**, and assorted eye pillows are also available at **The Whole Earth** from \$5.25.

"Bag Balm" in cute green and red mini boxes with holly design can soothe dry skin, \$5.29 at **Obal Garden Center**.

And finally, for that naughty boy or girl, a lump of coal in a fun Santa tin, \$2.99 at **Peterson's Nursery & Christmas Shop**.

All your creative impulses will come to life at **Triangle Your Creative Center** at the corner of Route One and Darrah Lane. This fun and colorful store is filled with items for the whole family. A comprehensive selection of art supplies offers everything for the beginner to the professional.

A very special item this year is the "Millennium Set," a collector's item for watercolor and oil for the serious painter, containing Series 7 brushes, and crystal and sterling silver accents, in a handsome wooden chest.

Complete painting sets for beginners include all supplies, as well as instruction booklets for watercolor, oil, or acrylic at \$29.95, and fun for the kids are the adjustable two-sided easels, with three surfaces: chalkboard, white board, and 200 paper roll, available at \$39.95.

Children can learn to make origami and korigami with the special kits at \$9.95, and new this year is origami jewelry at \$11.95. The budding photographer will love the all-in-one camera and scrapbook kit, including a real camera with film and scrapbook to capture the moment for years to come (\$29.95).

"Art Makes You Smart" includes two sets with 36 art projects and project materials in an easy travel case, for ages 3 to 5, and 5 and up (\$24.95), and the Body Crayons creative kits from Klutz and Temporary Body Art,

including temporary tattoos, teachers, etc. for \$14.95. A similar idea is the ready-to-be-framed sentiment done in calligraphy, featuring poetry or sentiments about family or friends. (\$8.99 to \$15.99).

Mosaic tile kits offer kids and adults the opportunity to make votive candle holders, coasters and even indoor fountains, from \$19.95.

Elegant photo albums and scrap books are big sellers at the store, perhaps to relive memories of this century before the new one arrives. In addition, "The Pages of Time," featuring information and highlights of each year since 1919 are very popular at \$5 — a great birthday gift.

Other favorites are the sentiment books, which include impregnated paper with pressed flowers. Suitable for family members, friends,

The Namiki line of hand-made pens is new to Triangle, and is known for its "Vanishing Point" collection, featuring retractable nibs, offered at \$95. Always popular are the beautiful glass dipping pens from Italy (\$21), with accompanying scented ink, and imported wax seals in all colors.

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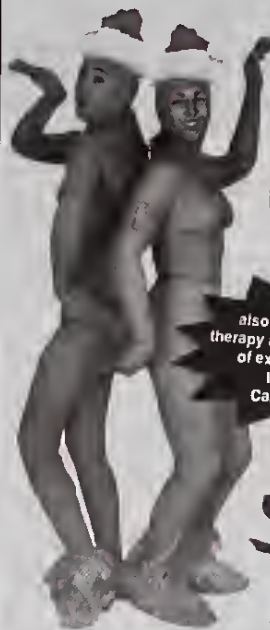
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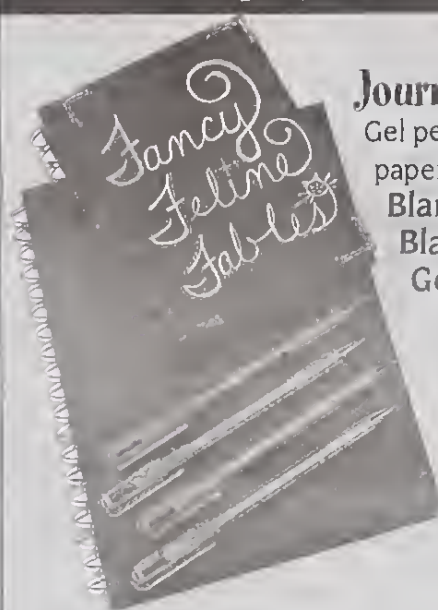
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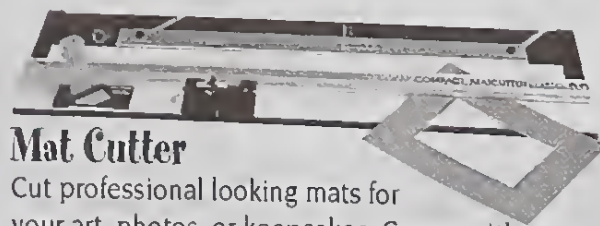
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CALENDAR

Wednesday, December 15

4:30 p.m.: Readings by Princeton University Creative Writing Program students; James M. Stewart Theater, 185 Nassau Street.

7-7:30 p.m. Meet the Mayors, Ch30A; Township Mayor Phyllis Marchand with guest Francis Fowler Slade of Princeton Pro Musica. Live, Call-in. 252-2379.

7:30 p.m.: Princeton Human Services Board, Mayor's Office, Valley Road Building.

7:30 p.m.: Westminster Community Orchestra and Raritan Valley Chorus; Richardson Auditorium.

7:30 p.m.: A Christmas Carol; McCarter Theatre. Also Thursday and Friday at 7:30, Saturday and Sunday at 1 and 5:30.

8 p.m.: Princeton Seminary Chapel and Chancel Choirs, Service of Lessons and Carols; Nassau Presbyterian Church.

8 p.m.: DiSlac Dance Company; Theatre Intime, Hamilton Murray Theatre, Princeton University Campus. Also Thursday and Friday at 8.

8 p.m.: Klezmer Conservatory Band; State Theatre, New Brunswick.

8 p.m.-10:30 p.m.: Princeton Country Dancers, Suzanne Patterson Center (behind Borough Hall).

Thursday, December 16
7:30 p.m.: Regional Planning Board, Valley Road Building.

7:30 p.m.: Joint Recreation Board, Main Meeting Room, Township Municipal Building.

7:30 p.m.: Regional Schools Finance Committee, Valley Road Building.

8 p.m. Borough Zoning Board, Borough Hall.

8 p.m.: Canadian Brass; State Theatre, New Brunswick.

Friday, December 17
4:30 p.m.: Lecture, "The Pope Who Made Our Millennium," Nicola Courtright, Amherst College; Wolfensohn Hall, Institute for Advanced Study.

8 p.m.: Princeton Pro Musica, Handel's *Messiah*; Richardson Auditorium. Also Saturday at 8.

Saturday, December 18
11 a.m.: "Holiday Origami," Princeton University Art Museum; gallery talk for children by Laura Kruskal, Princeton Origami Center,

and Kiara Rankin, student guide.

1 p.m.-2 p.m.: Vigil Against Gun Violence, Palmer Square; co-sponsored by Youth Against Guns and the Coalition for Peace Action.

8 p.m.: Princeton Singers; Princeton University Chapel.

Sunday, December 19
4 p.m.: Princeton Chamber Symphony; Richardson Auditorium.

8 p.m.: Fuma Sacra; Bristol Chapel, Westminster Choir College. Also Saturday at 8.

Monday, December 20
Recycling Pickup

7:30 p.m.: A Christmas Carol; McCarter Theatre. Also Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7:30.

Tuesday, December 21
6 p.m.: Princeton Public Library Board of Trustees, second floor meeting room at the library, 65 Witherspoon Street.

7:30 p.m.: Township Sidewalk and Bikeway Advisory Committee, Township Hall, 369 Witherspoon Street.

7:30 p.m.: Regional Health Commission, Borough Hall Conference Room.

Wednesday, December 22
7-7:30 p.m.: Meet the Mayors, Ch30A; Borough Mayor Marvin Reed with guest April McElroy, Administrative Assistant, Princeton Senior Resource Center at the Suzanne Patterson Center. Rerun of April 1999 program.

7:30 p.m.: Princeton High School Winter Concert; Princeton University Chapel.

8 p.m.-10:30 p.m.: Princeton Country Dancers, Suzanne Patterson Center (behind Borough Hall).

Thursday, December 23
1 p.m.: A Christmas Carol; McCarter Theatre. Also Friday at noon and 4.

5:15 p.m.: Community Carol Sing; Aris Council, 102 Witherspoon Street.

Friday, December 24
8 p.m.: Abie's Irish Rose; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell. Also Saturday at 8 and Sunday at 2:30.

Saturday, December 25
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MUSIC & THEATER

Chamber Symphony Sets Holiday Season Pops Concert

On Sunday, December 19, the Princeton Chamber Symphony will present a Family Holiday Pops concert with festive, popular music of the holiday season. David Robertson, author and retired Princeton Professor, will join the orchestra and Music Director Mark Laycock to narrate *The Snowman*, a work based on the children's book.

The concert begins at 4 p.m. in Richardson Auditorium on the Princeton University campus. The concert has been made possible by a generous gift from The Chocolate Cat.

In recent years, the PCS has added concerts to its regular season schedule to meet the community's diverse musical needs. Among the most successful have been concerts of popular music such as the American Salute concert that celebrates Independence Day, and recently the Festival of Hymns presented as part of a Sacred Music series.

The concert features David Robertson, narrator, and Bryan Hobgood, boy soprano, with the Princeton Chamber Symphony performing *The Snowman*, a story that weaves a spell of enchantment as a young boy's snowman comes to life and escorts him on a fantasy dream visit to the North Pole. The concert also includes popular pieces such as *Waldteufel's Skater's Waltz*, *Anderson's A Christmas Festival* and *The Waltzing Cot* and Holcombe's *Festive Sounds of Hanukkah*.

Single tickets for this concert are \$20 for adults and \$10 for children and students. To order, call the Princeton Chamber Symphony Office at 497-0020. Tickets are also available at the Richardson Auditorium Box Office, 258-5000.



HOLIDAY CONCERT AHEAD: The Princeton Chamber Symphony will present a Family Holiday Pops concert Sunday, December 19 at 4 p.m. at Richardson Auditorium. Shown, from left, are Mark Laycock, music director; Bryan Hobgood, soloist; David Robertson, narrator; and Toby Goodyear, executive director.

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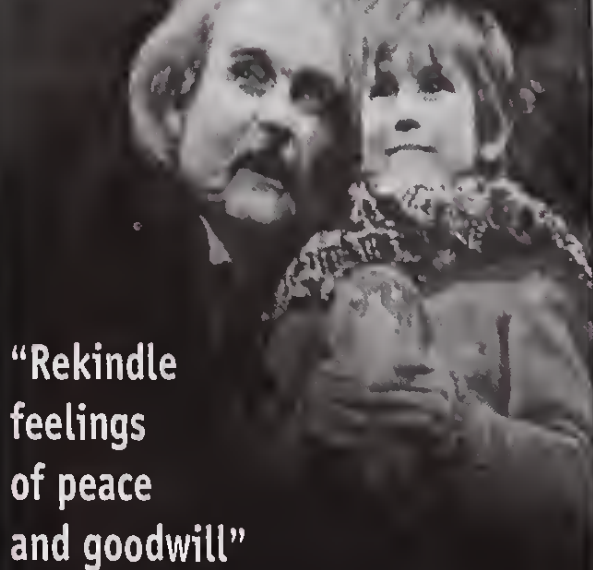
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New Bassist Is a Familiar Face To Rock Band Blues Traveler



NEWEST BLUES TRAVELER: Tad Kinchla is the new bassist for Blues Traveler.

Tad Kinchla was still getting over the death of his friend Bobby Sheehan when he tried out to replace Mr. Sheehan as the bassist for Blues Traveler.

Nearly a month after hearing he got the job, he still had mixed emotions.

"It's kind of twofold emotionally," said Mr. Kinchla, 27, of Brooklyn. "It was definitely nice to get the news ... but we're all still dealing with Bobby passing away. At the same time, we all know he would have wanted everyone to keep playing."

And they will. Despite rumors that surfaced in the wake of Mr. Sheehan's death and the release of lead-singer/harmonica-virtuoso John Popper's first solo effort, Blues Traveler is not breaking up. The band plans to go to Austin, Texas and start working on new material in January.

If Mr. Kinchla's last name sounds familiar to Blues Traveler fans, it's because his older brother, Chan, is the group's guitarist. Though the brothers had never played in a band before, "they had jammed together at family functions, and their familiarity with each other both musically and personally helped Tad feel at home in his new band early on."

"From the first practice," he said, "it felt right. It's easy communicating when you know somebody so well." He explained that communication is essential in a band, especially when playing live.

Blues Traveler is famous for its live performances. Now in their early 30s, the band's original members — Mr. Popper, Mr. Sheehan, Chan Kinchla and drummer Brendan Hill — started playing together when they were students at Princeton High. Their familiarity with each other was evident on-stage.

Familiar Face

Tad and the band still have to get used to each other, but they go back years too, which should make it easier. "I know all three [band members] real well," said Tad, who also attended PHS, "just from hanging around in high school and seeing them play over 100 times. I hadn't played [the bass parts], but I knew the songs from listening to them, so I heard the changes in my head and could anticipate them."

Tad has already played gigs with Blues Traveler in San Francisco, San Diego and Los Angeles. "It was a little trippy at first," he said. "They were always one of my favorite bands. On-stage, I'd catch myself starting to watch them a little bit. I'd be waiting for the bass part, then would realize I had to play it or it wouldn't be there."

Tad has been playing in bands for well over a decade. As a seventh grader at John Witherspoon Middle School, he and some schoolmates drew big cheers at a talent show with their rendition of "Louie Louie."

"Neither their mother nor I have any musical ability," said Tad and Chan's father, Ronald, a Princeton University professor. "Chan started playing; then I think Tad saw it was a cool thing to do. I think both of them realized it was a good way to meet girls."

Dowdy Smack

After graduating from PHS in 1991, Tad went to Brown University and with two schoolmates started a band called Dowdy Smack. The band was a hit at Brown and beyond. It opened for Blues Traveler on campus, and later played at several of the HORDE concerts Blues Traveler headlined earlier this decade.

Dowdy Smack relocated to New York City shortly after its members graduated from Brown in 1995. The band played regularly, built up a following, and released one album, *Aren't You Delicious*, on an independent label in 1997.

Tad has happy memories of the group's record release party, which drew a large crowd. But the group lost steam after that.

"The guitarist started getting cold feet," said Tad. Dowdy Smack started playing shows less frequently, he said, and its drummer, who had deferred his admission to medical school in order to play music, decided to go to school.

With Dowdy Smack's future uncertain, Tad jumped at the chance to try out for Blues Traveler — a band that has sold more than 12 million albums.

New Sounds

Tad does not play bass the same way Mr. Sheehan did. "Bobby had a real drone style, almost like an organ," said Tad. "It's a real art to be able to do that ... My sound is more poppy. I'm hoping to come in with my own voice and sound. [The original band members are] not asking me to re-create Bobby's parts. They're asking me to bring what I have. I do a lot of funk slapping and they're interested in hearing that and seeing what I can do."

"My impression is that it's a really open system," he continued. "They're willing to try anything. If it's crappy they'll say it's crappy. But they'll try anything once, and are willing to re-invent their sound. I think they'll encourage me writing bass parts. They're encouraging my participation at every level."

After 12 years of touring, touring and more touring, the members of Blues Traveler took last year off to devote to personal interests. Mr. Popper headed to Bucks County, Pa., where he recorded his solo debut *Zygote*. Mr. Hill spent time with family in Seattle. Chan did the same in Miami and, according to his father, has almost finished a novel inspired by the Big Apple's music scene. Mr. Sheehan went to New Orleans intending to play music, but apparently became distracted by that city's "terminal party scene" — with tragic consequences, according to Ronald Kinchla.

Mr. Sheehan's death was ruled a drug overdose by a New Orleans coroner. "It's just a shame," said Ronald Kinchla. "He was a very, very nice guy. I was amazed at how his funeral in Brooklyn was packed with people. He was gregarious to a fault, perhaps."

Aside from his brother, Tad knew Mr. Sheehan better than anyone in the group. "Chan and Bobby were like partners in crime," said Tad. "Of the whole group they were probably the most social ... Whenever Chan was in town, Bobby usually came along. [Bobby] was always really supportive to me. I still own a bunch of equipment he passed down."

In fact, when Tad tried out for the band, he was playing a bass handed down to him by Mr. Sheehan.

A lot has changed for Blues Traveler during its year off, but at least one thing has not: "It's still four guys from Princeton," said Tad.

—Albert Raboteau

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Evensong Concert Set At Dutch Neck Church

The Dutch Neck Presbyterian Church choir will present a Christmas Evensong entitled "The Spirit of Christmas" on December 19 at 4:30 p.m.

The concert's feature performance will be Vivaldi's Gloria with soloists Jan Baldwin, Trish Miele and Marita Sclarotta. Also on the program are carols by John Rut-
ter and other familiar Christ-

mas carols. The Chancel Choir will be accompanied by organist Arlene Jones and guest string instrumentalists.

The concert will also include the Dutch Neck Bell Choir. The Bell Choir and Chancel Choirs are under the direction of Richard M. Loatman.

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Sounding like the angels invoked in so many of their songs, the American Boychoir offered a cheering "Holiday Extravaganza" concert at Richardson Auditorium on Sunday afternoon. Exquisitely rehearsed and expertly led by Music Director James Litton and Associate Director Vincent Metallo, the boys performed a variety of holiday songs with energy, focus, and a real spirit of fun.

Anchoring the program were virtuosic arrangements of well known holiday tunes. *Ding, Dong! Merrily on High*, *Carol of the Bells*, and other carols shimmered with voices cascading one after the other in elaborate multi-part settings. Joy to the World was set by composer John Rutter in the style of Handel, complete with a florid organ accompaniment played grandly by Scott Dettra.

Less familiar Christmas music from the more formal European choral tradition made up an important portion of the afternoon's music. Gustav Holst's setting of the *Ave Maria* for double treble choir offered a gentle flow of interweaving lines. Patrick Hadley's *I Sing of a Moiden* showed off the Boychoir's lovely hushed tones, and its ability to sustain long notes and phrases.

A highlight of the first half of the concert was a three-song set by the Resident Training Choir, the younger boys of the school who are honing their voices and musical skills in preparation for joining the main choir. Director Lynnel Joy Jenkins keeps them challenged, judging by the work they sang on Sunday, especially the growing favorite *Gesu Bambino* by Pietro Alessandro Yon, with its memorable countermelody above the *O Come, All Ye Faithful* refrain. These younger singers performed on their three numbers very well. Their youthful timbre and their feel for harmonic blend will get stronger; this next generation is almost ready.

Both before and after the intermission, the Boychoir interspersed traditional western music with holiday music from around the world. Songs like the Polish Christmas lullaby *Goy Sliczna Panna* and the Spanish carol *A un Nino Llorando* were sung in their native languages to charming effect. Other Spanish carols and *African Noel* by Andre Thomas were sung a cappella with percussion played by choir members.

Unmistakably American and unabashedly sentimental, *Christmas Medley* by Bill Holcombe became a bold highlight in the second half. Built of tight, jazzy harmonies and placed just right in the vocal ranges for the boys (Holcombe has produced many arrangements for the American Boychoir), the music breathes life and energy into the familiar tunes, *Hove Yourself o Merry Little Christmas* and *Let It Snow* among them.

The concert concluded with two dramatic numbers. Joined by the Resident Training Choir and by a number of recent graduates, the Boychoir performed *This Christmas* by Donal Fraser (born 1947), a sweetly harmonized, expansive meditation on Christmas's meaning. The audience joined in the final number, *O Come, All Ye*

Faithful, singing the main melody while the choir soared above on several pretty counter melodies.

After Mr. Litton's final cut-off, the applause began to resound, and the flashbulbs began flickering. Parents and grandparents had waited patiently for their chance to take pictures of the boys in their bright red and white robes. The music had died away — the pictures would provide a silent tribute to the marvelous sounds heard in celebration of the season.

—Linda Tyler

PHS Winter Concert December 22 in Chapel

In what for many in Princeton has become the official start of the holiday season, the Princeton High School Choir, choruses, and Orchestra will perform their annual winter concert Wednesday, December 22 at 7:30 p.m. in the Princeton University Chapel.

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Ensemble-in-residence at Westminster, Fuma Sacra has been acclaimed by critics and audiences for the passionate and virtuosic performances which have consistently "left the audience gasping in amazement."

Highlights of past seasons have included its European debut at the Festival del Due Mondi in Spoleto, Italy, performances of Bach cantatas with America's finest specialists on Baroque instruments, and a concert commemorating the 50th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz.

Artistic director of Fuma Sacra, Andrew Megill, has prepared choruses of the American Symphony Orchestra, the National Symphony Orchestra, the Spoleto Festival Orchestra and the Berkshire Opera. He also serves as chorus master for the Spoleto Festival U.S.A., as music director of the Masterwork Chorus and Concert Chorale of New York, and as associate conductor of the Westminster Symphonic Choir.

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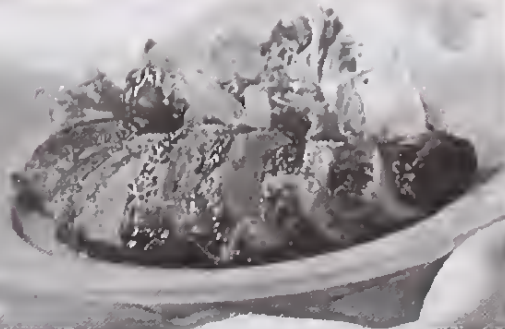
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Arts Council Announces Christmas Eve Caroling

The annual Christmas Eve Candlelight Caroling, sponsored by the Arts Council of Princeton, will take place Friday, December 24 at 5:15 p.m. Carolers are encouraged to bring candles, lanterns, flashlights, or bells to the Arts Council at 102 Witherspoon Street to join the procession led by the Town Crier, Rip Pelaton, and Mayor Marvin Reed. Singer Caroline Moseley will lead the singing. Song sheets will be available. The Christmas Eve Brass Band will join the carolers at Palmer Square. Santa promises to appear if the singing is lively and loud enough to be heard. All are invited.



THE CANADIAN BRASS will perform at the State Theatre in New Brunswick December 16 at 8 p.m. The concert will combine the group's repertoire with music for the holidays.

WW-P Student Orchestra Offers Children's Concert

The West Windsor-Plainsboro High School Symphony Orchestra will present its fourth annual Children's Concert in two performances December 19 at 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. in the high school south campus auditorium. The orchestra, under the direction of conductor/teacher Jean Mauro, received a silver medal in the International Music Festival competition last spring in New Orleans, La. With this performance, orchestra members look forward to showcasing their talents and also hope to raise funds for future competitions and tours.

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Clubs & Organizations

A special brunch for individuals whose minimum contribution to Campaign 2000 of the **United Jewish Federation of Princeton Mercer Bucks** is a combined total of \$1200 or more, will take place on Sunday, December 19, at 10:30, at the Greenacres Country Club, Lawrenceville.

Sharon Faulkner, a freelance photojournalist, will speak at the event. Ms. Faulkner has used her craft as a catalyst for social change for many years. For the past ten years she has worked closely with various Jewish organizations on a variety of projects, including photographic essays on the resettlement of Ethiopian and Soviet Jews in Israel.

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have dinner together at the Triumph Brewing Company, Nassau Street. Reservations for dinner are available by calling Steve Chambers, at (732) 355-1576; he also has information about theater tickets, which must be purchased directly through the theater, at \$34 per person, plus a \$4 handling fee.

Professor Michael Strauss of the Princeton University department of astrophysical sciences will speak at a meeting of **55 PLUS**, on Thursday, December 16, at 10, at the Princeton Jewish Center, 435 Nassau Street.

Professor Strauss, who has been at Princeton University since 1994, in the department of astrophysics, will discuss the ways in which modern astrophysicists search for unknown celestial objects.

Prior to his appointment at the University, Professor Strauss was at the Institute for Advanced Study and at the University of California at Berkeley, where he received his doctorate.

Members of the **Central Jersey Tall Friends Club** (men 6'2; women 5'10) will attend McCarter Theatre on Saturday, December 18, at 5:30, to see *A Christmas Carol*.

The deadline to sign up for an embroidery workshop to begin January 16, sponsored by the **Princeton Chapter of the Embroiderers Guild of America**, is December 15.

The next monthly meeting will take place the same day

the workshop begins — on Sunday, January 16, at the Plainsboro Public Library, Plainsboro Municipal Complex.

The workshop, entitled "Sampling Counted Stitches A to Z," will be taught by EGA-certified teacher Rose-

mary Kostansek. Each letter of the alphabet is represented by a different counted stitch.

For more information, call Marilyn Beasley, at 275-1831.

The "Impending Leadership Crisis" will be the topic for discussion at the **Chamber of Commerce of the Princeton Area** leadership seminar on Thursday, December 16, at the Princeton Marriott Hotel. The seminar will run from 8:30 to 11:30; and the cost is \$35 per person.

Moderating the seminar will be Dennis Hawver, president of the Hawver Group and chair of the Leadership Committee. Michael Hierl, president and CEO, The Pacesetter Group, will discuss "Attracting and Retaining Key Personnel."

Robert Marino, director of the Center for Learning and Development, Summit Bank, will speak on "Developing, Training and Retaining Tomorrow's Leaders"; and George Taber, president of Business News New Jersey will provide the audience with an overview of solutions that are being used in companies throughout New Jersey.

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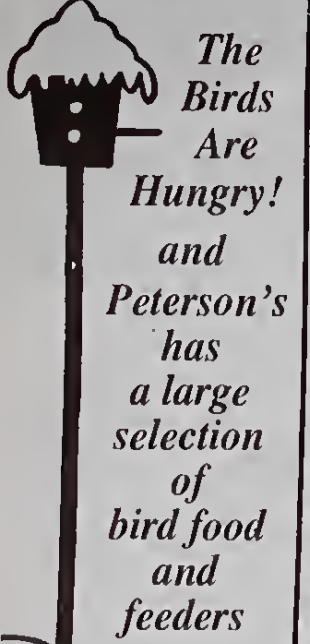
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SPORTS

Rocca Leads Princeton Men's Hoops To an Upset Win at Rutgers, Sunday

Mason Rocca ignored considerable pain in his left ankle, and scored a career-best 28 points to carry Princeton men's basketball to an unexpected 66-60 victory in overtime at Rutgers on Sunday.

The Tigers (5-4) climbed over .500 for the first time this season, and became just the second team to defeat the Scarlet Knights (6-2). It was Princeton's third hard-fought win in a row; it slipped by Bucknell 50-48 on December 7, and won 77-72 over Texas Christian at Jadwin on the 9th.

The tendonitis in his ankle certainly did not hobble Rocca at Rutgers, where he dove after loose balls, drew charges, and displayed a dazzling array of inside moves while playing all 45 minutes.

Injuries are nothing new to the 6'9, 235-pound senior forward/center. He missed the first four games of this season with a groin injury, missed most of the 1998 pre-season with a badly sprained ankle, and missed part of his sophomore season with a broken hand.

"It's one thing after another," said Rocca. "It's frustrating. But I knew playing [at Rutgers] wouldn't make it worse. It was just dealing with the pain."

"He's like a Greek god, but he's always getting hurt," said Princeton coach Bill Carmody of Rocca. "He's just a good basketball player. He'd be a good tight end too; he's 6'9; he's the fastest guy on the team and he's got great hands."

Great Hands

Rocca used those great hands to snare 13 rebounds. And like a tight end catching passes over the middle, he took some knocks during a game that looked like football at times.

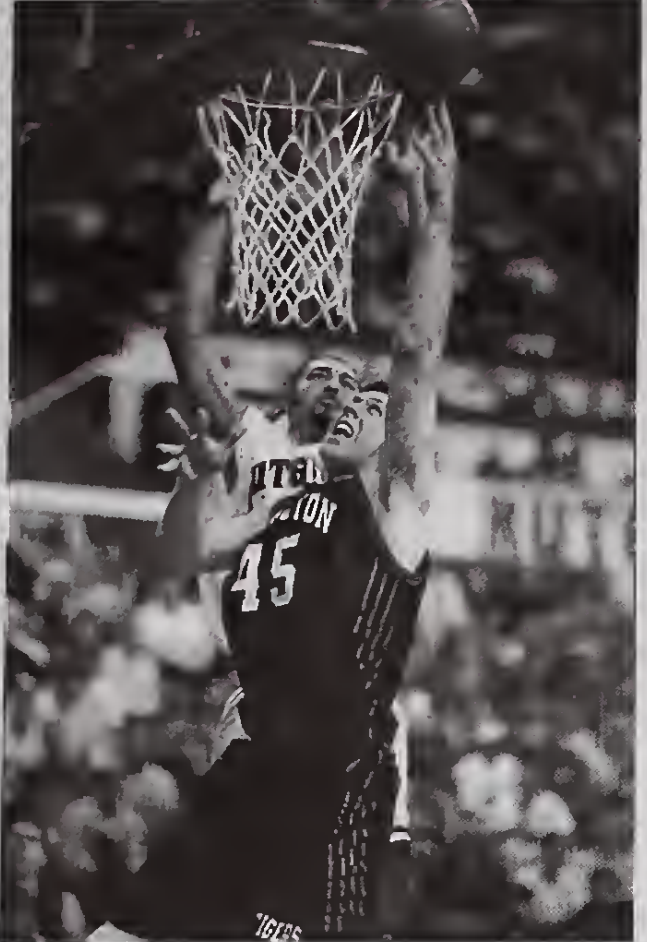
"If it's physical, that's great," said Rocca, who sank 10-of-18 free throws. "They were banging me and I couldn't back down."

Princeton is not known as a physical team. That may change soon, considering the Tigers' best players are Rocca and 6'11 sophomore center Chris Young. Against the Big East's Scarlet Knights, the Tigers played a pressing, physical, "Big East" style game with much success.

"This isn't [Gabe] Lewulis, [Brian] Earl and [Mitch] Henderson, where it's beautiful to watch," said Carmody, comparing this season's team to the 1997-98 club that cracked the Top 10 with a blend of three-pointers and back-door cuts — the style of play Princeton is famous for. "Maybe we need to learn to win a different way."

As the teams traded blows, and leads, during the first half, it became clear that this game would be very different from last year's one-sided affair at Jadwin, where the Tigers suffered an embarrassing 60-49 loss.

Princeton led 29-25 at the break. However, Rutgers had its share of momentum then, having narrowed an eight-point lead to four



CAREER HIGH: Mason Rocca (shooting) scored a career-high 28 points to lead Princeton by Rutgers. Here he lays one in against Joel Salvi.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

over the last two minutes.

The Knights came charging out of the locker room and went up 30-29 on a three-pointer by Dante Jones, who finished with a team-high 27 points, including five from beyond the arc. Princeton missed three layups and made three turnovers early in the second half, and appeared to be in trouble.

But Rutgers could not capitalize. It failed to score over the next 3:31. Princeton pulled ahead 31-30 during that period, but found itself down again when Jones netted another three.

Princeton led for most of the remaining time in regulation, but the Knights were never out of striking distance. Jones brought the red-clad crowd of 8,012 to its feet at 1:33 with a jumper that made it 51-49 Rutgers.

Clutch Basket

Nate Walton, who had a team-high six assists, scored his only basket of the game to knot it up again with 56 seconds to go.

Princeton had a chance to win it after Walton reined in Todd Billet's miss with 40 ticks left on the clock. But Princeton, which made 15 turnovers in the second half, gave Rutgers the ball back with 18 seconds to spare.

Princeton kept the ball out of Jones' hands, and his teammate, Jeff Greer, who scored 12 points in the first half before going ice cold, missed a potentially game-winning baseline jumper; Greer scored just one point after halftime.


Walton found Ahmed El-Nokali on a back-door play, and the ensuing layup put Princeton up 53-51 one minute into overtime.

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Tiger Basketball

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Rutgers went up for the last time, 54-53, on a free throw by Greer and a driving layup by Jones.

Walton and El-Nakali hooked up again to put their team up for good. Rocca increased the lead with a free throw, then C.J. Chapman drove for a dazzling layup to make it 58-54.

Jones sank a free throw, at the other end, but Walton found Young down low moments later, and the big man jammed it to put an exclamation point on what was then clearly a Tiger win. The crowd headed for the exits with Princeton up 60-55 and 45 seconds on the clock. Rutgers made the customary desperation fouls, and Princeton finished its opponent off from the charity stripe.

Fewer Threes

Princeton has lived by the three, and sometimes died by the three in recent years. It took just 10 three pointers at Rutgers, which was a good thing, since Chapman was the only one who made any. A junior forward who recently lost his starting spot, Chapman scored 13 points on 4-of-7 shooting. He went 2-for-4 from beyond the arc.

Chapman scored 13 against Texas

Christian, too, including two key three pointers in overtime.

"I thought C.J. Chapman was terrific," said Carmody after the Rutgers win. "He's played much better since I stopped starting him. He didn't like [losing his spot], and I'm glad he didn't like it."

"We're winning games, and that's all that matters right now," said Chapman. "I'd be lying to you if I told you I didn't want to start. But we're winning games, and I'm performing a lot better so — whatever works."

Chapman need only look back to last season to see how important a sixth man can be to the Tigers. Rocca came off the bench for much of last season. He was an important sixth man. Now he is the man.

NOTES: Young's production has gone down since Rocca returned to the lineup. Carmody is still trying to figure out how to best use them on the court at the same time. Following the Rutgers win, he hinted that he might give Young more time at forward with Rocca at center.

One area where Young's numbers have not gone down is blocked shots. He blocked two at Rutgers, and has 23 on the year — on pace to break the Princeton single-season record of 55 which he set last year.

Freshman guard Spencer Gloger was held to four points by Rutgers after scoring 18 against Texas Christian.

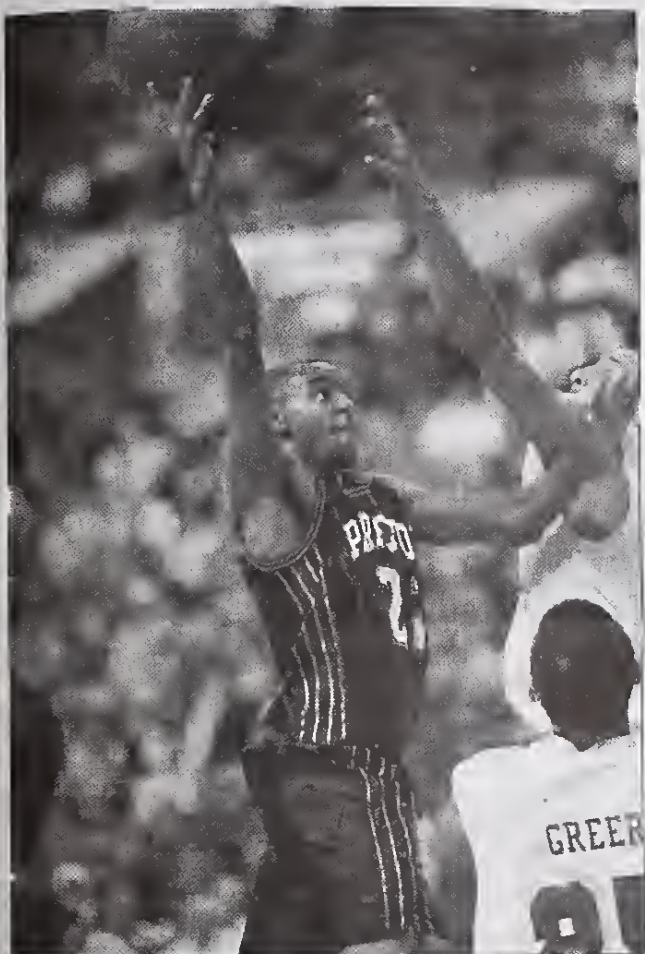
Princeton may not be over .500 for long. Two of its next three opponents — UAB at home on Saturday and Kansas on the road on December 22 — made the NCAA Tournament last March. The third, Xavier, whom Princeton visits on the 27th, knocked the Tigers out of the NIT last March. The UAB game can be seen on CN8 and RCN at 7:30, the Kansas game on CN8 at 8:30, and the Xavier game on ESPN at 7.

Princeton's December 31 home game with Holy Cross will still take place at 2 even though the school will be officially closed.

Around the Ivy League: Penn lost its third straight and slipped to 1-4; Dartmouth is 3-3; Cornell and Harvard are both 3-4; Brown is 2-3; Columbia is 3-5; Yale is 2-6.

Rocca, who made a hook shot with one second left to carry his team by Bucknell, was named Ivy League Player of the Week. Gloger earned Rookie of the Week honors.

—Albert Raboteau



MUCH IMPROVED: C.J. Chapman has been playing a lot better for Princeton since assuming a sixth-man role.

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Tiger Hockey Loses Twice to Bemidji State, Notre Dame Next, Before Christmas Break

The Princeton hockey team traveled a long way to lose a pair of hockey games last weekend, and somewhere along the road it lost its offense as well.

Facing Bemidji State in northern Minnesota (350 miles northwest of Minneapolis), a team with a better hockey team than name recognition, the Tigers lost 3-2 and 2-1 on successive nights. That dropped their overall record to 3-6-3. And never mind Bemidji's 3-10-1 mark coming into last weekend — the Beavers were ready for this one.

The two-game series came about when coach Don Cahoon decided to help Bemidji in its quest to develop a Division I program.

"As a long-standing coach, I recognize the hardship in scheduling," Cahoon told The Daily Princetonian last week. "I also recognize the significance of helping these programs grow and expand, so that college hockey becomes a stronger force."

Unfortunately, Cahoon's players apparently decided to help Bemidji also, by not playing their best hockey. According to one observer who watched both games, the Tiger players played far from their best hockey on Friday, and only a little better on Saturday.

If anything, the Tigers were done in by their inability to score off the power play. They were a combined two-for-15 for the weekend, a far cry from the success they had been having in ECAC competition so far.

Still on the Road

The Tigers will still be on the road this weekend, but a little closer to home. This Sunday and Monday nights they'll be in South Bend, Indiana for contests against Notre Dame. The Tigers have never lost to the Fighting Irish in seven games, the first of which was played in 1985. The last time they met, the Orange and Black won 3-2 in December, 1996 Notre Dame finished 19-14-5 a year ago, 15-11-4 in the CCHA.

Friday night's contest saw every goal scored on a man advantage situation. And though they had double the

number of power play chances, 10 to five, the Tigers still came up a goal short.

Bemidji, which converted three-of-five of its extra-man chances, scored the only goal of the first period. The home team's Stefan Bjork cashed in a power play opportunity at the 7:56 mark with sophomore forward Ryan Kraliz in the box for boarding.



GLAD TO HAVE HIM: Ryan Kraliz, a walk-on who was never recruited to play hockey at Princeton, scored his first two goals last weekend.

Bjork struck again at 13:59 of the middle frame, while Benoit Morin was sitting down for a cross-checking infraction. Nobody on the team creates more penalties in both directions than Morin. This upped the lead to 2-0.

Fewer than three minutes later Kraliz atoned for his misdeed, getting the Orange and Black on the scoreboard for the first time. Shane Campbell and Darren Yopyk set him up while the Tigers were a man up.

Early in the third Chris Corrinet took a high-sticking penalty, and again it cost Princeton. Brad Johnson got the goal, with Bjork assisting this time, and this one proved to be the game winner. Handed one last power play at the end, Old Nassau pulled goalie Craig Bradley for a six-on-four advantage and David Del Monte lit the red light just one second before the green flashed, signalling the end of the game.

Bradley faced 26 shots, saving 23. Princeton got off 26.

Twenty-four hours later, the Tigers got even less offense, scoring just once in 60 minutes. Kraliz scored 1:23 into the third period to match a goal by Bemidji near the end of the second. That came off a power play with Kirk Lamb off the ice for cross-checking. Neither team had scored in the first.

However, the 1-1 deadlock lasted just a little over three minutes. With freshman Nate Nomeland in the cage (Dave Stathos had played the first two periods), Bemidji scored at the 4:46 mark. Out went Nomeland, having allowed one goal on two shots; back came Stathos. Bemidji never scored again, but neither did Princeton, and the 2-1 margin held up the rest of the way.

—Jeb Stuart

ECAC HOCKEY

Friday, December 10	Saturday, December 11
Bemidji State 3 Princeton 2	Bemidji State 2 Princeton 1
Clarkson 6 UMass-Lowell 4	Ferris State 3 Colgate 2
Colgate 4 Ferris State 1	Northeastern 2 Dartmouth 1
Boston College 3 Harvard 0	St. Lawrence 3 U-Mass-Lowell 2
Providence 2 Dartmouth 0	UNH 6 Clarkson 0
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	ECAC				Overall			
	W	L	T	Pts	W	L	T	
Colgate	5	3	0	10	10	5	0	
Harvard	5	3	0	10	5	5	0	
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St. Lawrence	4	2	1	9	9	4	1	
Princeton	3	2	3	9	3	6	3	
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Cornell	4	4	0	8	4	7	0	
Union	3	3	0	6	5	9	0	
Vermont	2	2	1	5	4	7	2	
Dartmouth	1	2	2	4	2	5	2	
Clarkson	0	4	3	3	4	8	3	
Brown	1	7	0	2	1	8	0	

Friday, December 17
Harvard at Dartmouth

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Princeton at Notre Dame
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PDS Sextet Loses First Hockey Game; Delbarton Takes It

The first thing you would like to see later this winter is a healthy Princeton Day hockey team getting a chance for a rematch against a solid Delbarton sextet.

Chances are that won't happen, so the Panthers will have to live with the 3-1 defeat they suffered in Morristown last Saturday, and look for other satisfaction. The Green Wave might well have won this one anyway, but the outcome might have been different had PDS had top forwards Craig Weissman, Alex Woller and John Garrett-Denise in the line-up. All were out because of illness or injuries.

Even so, the Panthers got a first period goal from Rich Burby, who scored on a breakaway with 6:06 left in the first period, and made that stand up well into the second. At that point, PDS was hit with two penalties simultaneously, a deserved one against Scott Schaub and a questionable call on Richard Crowley for a high stick.

That gave the home team a five-on-three, and although it didn't score with Schaub and Crowley off the ice, it did manage to do so as they were back on racing to join the play. The tie lasted until just 3:48 was left in the contest, when Delbarton tallied the winning goal against Armand Buzantian, and added an insurance tally near the end.

PDS, which had 10 shots in the first period, began to fade in the final two, because it was skating with just six forwards and three defensemen. It managed just six shots total during the second and third periods. Delbarton ended up with 19.

"We knew they were short-handed," commented Delbarton coach Brian Day. "We wanted to keep it a close game and, as it progressed, we figured the game would start to go in our favor."

Earlier in the week, coach Chris Barless' boys had a much more favorable visit to Bridgewater to play Pingry. The shot total tells the story; the Panthers got off 57 on goal, while Big Blue could manage just nine. Armand Buzantian merely had to stay awake for three periods to pick up his first shutout of the season.

Meanwhile, the Blue and White's offense took care of business in the first two periods. Scott Schaub scored the only goal PDS would need in the first period. He added another and so did Mark Blatterfein, before the period ended.

Leading 3-0, PDS added another three in the second. Ian Andreotta, Ben Johnson and Richard Burby all scored, and Blatterfein set each one of them up.

PDS Girls Basketball Loses Two at Home

The Princeton Day girls basketball team ran into some tough competition at home last week, and lost a pair of games. The Panthers' record dropped to 1-3.

Solebury has always been a tough opponent, and this year proved to be no exception. The Spartans trailed 31-26 at halftime, but doubled up PDS, 18-9 in the third quarter. They extended the lead in the fourth for a 59-46 final.

Tracey Spinner had a solid game with 16 points, and Page Schmucker added 10.

Last Friday, just one week after Princeton Day had lost to Blair, 47-30, in the first round of the Stuart Tip-Off Tournament, the Panthers did much better against the Buccaneers the second time around, even though they still lost, 35-32. The difference was junior Christina Marshall, who pumped in a game-high 21 points in her first outing since recovering from an ankle injury.

The Panthers got off to a 9-2 lead in the first period, but Blair rallied in the second to take a 15-14 advantage at

Stuart Hockey Wins, Basketball Drops Three

Stuart Country Day basketball lost its three games last week. Despite 19 points from sophomore Jola Davis, and 13 points from her classmate Monica Hammond, the Tartans fell 62-40 to Hun on December 7.

A day later, Davis scored 20 against Ranney in another strong losing effort. Stuart led after the first quarter, but was down one at the break. Ranney put the game away in the third quarter, and won 44-36.

Pennington is one of the better prep teams around, and it looked like it on Friday when it beat Stuart 61-19.

Stuart's ice hockey team fared better, winning its opener 6-0 over Radnor at Lawrenceville on Saturday. Annie Grabowski had a hat trick. Tori Millar, Sarah Molinelli and Cristina Salamastrelli each scored once.

halftime. It was nip and tuck the rest of the way. With 10 seconds left and PDS needing a three-point basket to tie, the visitors stole the inbound pass and ran out the clock. Marshall will need some help in the future, no one else had more than four points.



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FIRST OF TWO: Princeton's Kyle Hanson celebrates after scoring the first of his two goals in the Tigers' 4-1 win over Hun on Friday. (Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

Hun Ice Hockey Posts Two Wins, Has Winning Record

Hun ice hockey passed the .500 mark with an 8-2 win over Academy of New Church on Monday.

Against ANC, the Raiders bounced back from a 4-1 loss to Princeton High on Friday — a game that was tied going into the final period. On December 9, Hun downed West Windsor-Plainsboro 4-2.

Wes Lou scored a hat trick and had one assist, and Brad Shade had four assists as the Raiders trounced winless ANC. Hun improved to 3-2-2.

Mike O'Neil scored twice for the Raiders. Cole Brancati, Justin Lambert and Andy Mikolasy added one goal each.

Princeton High ended Fran Cattani's four-game scoring streak, and beat the Raiders 4-1 on Friday. After the Tigers went up 1-0 in the first period, Mikolasy tied it in the second. Princeton took over in the third period, however, and scored three times to put it away.

Cattani had been on a tear prior to the Princeton loss. Against WW-P, he scored the game-winning goal, increasing his season total to nine. Moments later, he assisted an insurance goal from Brancati which made it 4-2.

Hun had jumped ahead 2-0 in the first period on goals by Mikolasy and Jimmy Ferriter. The Pirates scored first in the second period to pull within one before Cattani and Brancati answered later in the

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West Windsor fought to the bitter end, scoring once in the final period to pull within two, but Hun's keeper, Mike Tenney, was flawless from then on, even when the Pirates pulled their keeper to get a man advantage. Tenney, a transfer from Neshaminy, had 26 saves.

PDS Girls Are Unbeaten After 5 Hockey Games

The Princeton Day hockey team has won every time it has stepped on the ice so far this season.

That includes three regular season games, and last Saturday's playday at Lawrenceville, which included a pair of two-period contests.

In last Thursday's game against Beacon Hill, the Panthers continued their recent trend of jumping out to a first period lead. Allie Welsh notched an unassisted tally with 3:40 left, and then along with Alex Koerte set up Blair Lamb to make it 2-0.

The visitors battled back in the second and scored the only goal they would get on their 17 shots against goalie Courtney Bergh. Entering the third ahead by just 2-1, PDS got an insurance goal from Laura Gosnell.

On Saturday, the Blue and White did not allow a goal in four periods of play, beating Greenwich, 1-0, and Beacon Hill, again, this time 2-0. After a scoreless first period, Alexandra Warren got the game's only goal, assisted by Koerte. Bergh turned away all

19 Greenwich shots to preserve the shutout.

Bergh was unbeatable again in the second game, facing another 19 shots. Gosnell and Sydne Levine scored first period goals, and Sara Peach picked up an assist. Lawrenceville, who PDS will play in January recorded ties against both schools.

PHS Boys' Ice Hockey Is Off to a Fast Start

Princeton High boy's hockey got off to a fine start, winning its first three games by a combined margin of 21-4.

The Tigers skated circles around Hamilton and won their opener 12-1 on December 9, downed town-rival Hun 4-1 a day later, and beat Ewing 5-2 on Monday.

Pete Foster scored a hat trick against Ewing, and had one goal in each of the Tigers' first two wins. Kyle Hanson has also scored in all three games — once against Ewing, twice against Hun, and once against Hamilton.

The Hun game, which was tied 1-1 heading into the third period, was the closest so far. Princeton went up 2-0 early against Ewing, and the Hamilton game, in which the Tigers outshot the Homets 53-8, was never close.

Terrence Miller scored four times against Hamilton. Eric Krieger had a hat trick in the rout. Princeton will face Hopewell at Ice Land at 3:10 on Friday.

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PDS Quintet Loses To St. Benedict's In Peddie Final

Making its best showing in a long time in the Peddie School Invitational Tournament, the Princeton Day basketball team reached Sunday's championship game, before falling to St. Benedict's, 65-48. The Panthers' record is now 3-1.

The Grey Bees led 14-11 at the end of one period, and slowly increased that margin at the end of each quarter. They led 47-38 at the end of three.

Pierre Downing led coach Alan Taback's team with 20 points, followed by Paris McLean and Brendan Hart, who each scored 10. The winners certainly had plenty of motivation to beat PDS, Taback's troops upset them in the semifinals of last year's Prep A.

The two teams will meet again in the regular season on Saturday, January 29, and chances are they will face each other a third time in the Prep A Tournament in February.

The opening round saw Princeton Day knock off Mercersburg Academy, 53-43, that tied the score at 44 behind Hart's 18 points. Leading from start to finish, under the pressure, and the Panthers jumped out to a shortly thereafter ran off 14 14-3 lead after one period, unanswered points for a and extended that all the way 60-46 lead and sealed the to 23-5 at one point in the second quarter.

That lead was cut to 28-21 at halftime, but PDS Hart and Downing between



OUT OF HARM'S WAY: PHS keeper Travis Hall clears the puck against Hun. He made 17 saves and got the victory. (Photo by Bill Allen/NU SportAction)

increased back to 12 at the end of three, and held off another charge by Mercersburg in the fourth. Downing added 12 points for PDS.

The next afternoon Hart was really hot, scoring 31 as the Panthers blew away Peddie, 69-53. A 10-3 opening period lead got the Blue and White off and running, but it had to withstand a fourth quarter charge by the Falcons. The opening round saw Princeton Day knock off Mercersburg Academy, 53-43, that tied the score at 44 behind Hart's 18 points. Leading from start to finish, under the pressure, and the Panthers jumped out to a shortly thereafter ran off 14 14-3 lead after one period, unanswered points for a and extended that all the way 60-46 lead and sealed the to 23-5 at one point in the second quarter.

Downing also had another good game, scoring 21, so at halftime, but PDS Hart and Downing between



PROUD PRIDE: The Princeton Pride under-14 girls' soccer team placed first at the recent Bordentown Invitational Tournament. They are, from left, front row, Lisa Hayes, Amanda Sustak, Kate Levine, Meghan Gerard, Kia Anderson, Alison Hillas and Corey Rosenthal; second row, Sara Fedorczyk, Caroline Tuttle, Dana Ceruzzi, Danielle DiMeglio, Rosanna Collars, Emily Hansen, Val Davison and Claire Marchetta; back row, coaches Don Denny, Bucky Hayes and Chris Sustak.

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Hun Boys' Hoops Drops Both Games At Peddie's Tourney

With some highly touted new arrivals, Hun boys' basketball started the season with high expectations.

But after dropping three of their first four games, the Raiders will have to revise those expectations downwards a bit — at least until their new and old players learn to work together better.

Eventual champion St. Benedict's beat Hun 66-36 on Friday in the opening round of the Peddie School's 27th Anniversary Invitational Tournament.

Saturday's consolation game proved to be small comfort for Hun, which fell 64-51 to rival Lawrenceville. The Big Red had a 20-9 lead after eight minutes. Hun never caught up. Lawrenceville improved to 3-1.

Kevin Garrity — a Purdue-bound 6'10 senior transfer from two-time defending prep B state champion Wardlaw Hartridge — led Hun with 12 points against Lawrenceville.

T.J. Dimuzio added 10 for the losers, who got eight apiece from Chris Monfilleto and Brian Giordano. Blake Morgan scored 20 to pace Lawrenceville, which had lost 82-55 to Germantown Academy on Friday in the first round. (St. Benedict's downed Princeton Day 68-53 on Sunday for the title.)

The Raiders have a lot of talent, but are still trying to figure out how to use it to their best advantage. None-



HUN UNDONE: Chris Monfilleto shoots a jumper while being harassed by St. Benedict's Greg Fulilove, whose team beat the Raiders on Friday.

(Photo by Albert Raboteau)

theless, they managed to capture their first win, against visiting Morristown-Beard, on December 8.

Garrity scored 18 in the 57-36 victory. He got 12 of those points in the first half to help the Raiders lead 34-10 at the break. Morristown improved in the second half, but never pulled within double

figures.

Garrity also gathered 16 rebounds. His was the biggest performance of the night, figuratively and literally. (He's 6'10, after all.) Hun also got big games from newly arrived post-grad John O'Hara (15 points). Giordano added 14 points. Jason Garrett scored a game-high 19 points in defeat.

—Albert Raboteau

Hun Girls' Hoops Falls Despite Record Scorer

Courtney Tierney tied the career scoring mark for Hun's girls' basketball against the Academy of New Church on Saturday in the final of a tournament ANC hosted.

But her 22 points were not enough to bring her team a win. ANC rallied down the stretch and outscored Hun 14-7 in the final quarter to

win 41-38. Hun fell to 3-2. Natalie Brunone scored seven points for Hun. Jenna Bryan added six. When the Raiders host George on Thursday, December 16 at 4, Tierney is almost certain to surpass Becky Jensen's 1992 record of 1250 points.

Hun coach Bill Holup's long goodbye to the Stuart basketball program continued on December 7, and frankly, the Tartans will be happy to see the last of him, since his new team keeps whipping them.

Holup jumped ship to Hun after coaching Stuart for six seasons. He beat Stuart on December 4 in his first game at the Raider helm, then faced the Tartans yet again on the 7th in the Raiders' home opener.

For the second time in four days, he spanked his former charges. Tierney scored 29 points to set a torrid pace for the Raiders, who won 62-40.

Kara Fitzpatrick and Brunone added nine points apiece for Hun. Erin Sanderson added eight more. Hun sprinted to a 20-8 lead in the first quarter and never looked back. Joia Davis scored 19 for Stuart, which got 13 points from Monica Hammond.

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OBITUARIES

Lewis H. Sarett, 81, of Viola, Idaho, died November 29. He was a Princeton resident for 40 years.

He graduated from Northwestern University with a B.S. degree in 1939 and received a Ph.D. in chemistry from Princeton University in 1942.

From 1942 to 1982 he lived in Princeton and worked for Merck & Co. as an organic chemist. He was president of Merck, Sharpe and Dohme Research Labs and later senior vice president for science and technology at the company.

Among his numerous awards were the Wallace Carothers Award from The American Chemical Society, the James Madison Medal of Princeton University, the Proctor Medal of The Philadelphia Drug Exchange, the Gold Medal Award of The American Institute of Chemists, and the National Medal of Science for the synthesis of cortisone.

He held more than 100 medicinal chemical patents and was elected to The Inventors' Hall of Fame in 1980.

He was a member of The National Academy of Sciences and a Fellow of the American Chemical Society. He also served on a number of boards and committees, including the Federal Science and Technology Committee and the PMA Commission on Drugs for rare diseases.

He is survived by his wife, the former Pamela Thorp; three daughters, Mary Nicole Sarett of Skillman, Wendy Young of Devon, Pa., and Renee Sarett of Denver, Colo.; a son, Will of Bonney Lake, Wash.; a sister, Helen Stockdale of Sacramento, Calif.; and five grandchildren.

A memorial service was



Lewis H. Sarett
held in Moscow, Idaho.

Memorial contributions may be made to The First United Methodist Church of Moscow, 322 East Third, Moscow, Idaho 83843, or The Lands Council, 517 South Division, Spokane, Wash. 99202.

Mathilde McKinney died December 6 at her home in Franconia, N.H. She was 95.

Born in South Bend, Ind., she lived in Princeton for many years before moving to New Hampshire in 1974.

She graduated from the Oberlin College Conservatory of Music and went on to study piano at Juilliard.

In the 1930s and 1940s she was the orchestra pianist for the Pittsburgh Symphony.

In 1943 she moved to Princeton, where she taught

Memorial Service

A Memorial Service for John J. Fischer who died October 5 in Princeton will be held on Tuesday, December 21, at 11 a.m. at Trinity Church, Mercer Street, officiated by his daughter-in-law, the Rev. Sarah Motley.

for a time at the Westminster Choir College and was active as a private teacher of piano and composition. While at Princeton, she also worked with Roger Sessions and Ed Cone, and premiered Mr. Cone's piano concerto with the Princeton Symphony Orchestra in 1962.

Her students over the years included conductor Lorin Maazel, composer John Harbison and pianist Robert Miller.

After moving to New Hampshire, she remained an active teacher and pianist and continued to perform with the North Country Chamber Players until she was 89.

She is survived by brothers Charles Christman of South Bend, Ind., and William Christman of Niles, Mich.; sister Ruth Christman of South Bend; son Bruce McKinney of Brooklyn, N.Y.; and grandchildren Claire McKinney of Astoria, N.Y. and Vera McKinney of Orlando, Fla.

A memorial service will be held in New Hampshire in May.

Memorial contributions may be sent to the Mathilde McKinney Education Fund, c/o The North Country Chamber Players, P.O. Box 904, Littleton, NH 03561.

Margaret McKallen, 76, of Princeton Junction, died December 11 at Princeton Nursing Home.

A lifelong area resident, she was a graduate of Princeton High School and was employed for more than 30 years as a clerk with the New Jersey State Department of Health Vital Statistics.

She was a member of St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church.

Daughter of the late John and Mary Murrin McKallen, and sister of the late John and Mary McKallen, she is

survived by two sisters, Alice McKallen of Philadelphia and Helen McKallen of Princeton Junction.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Tuesday at St. Paul's Church. Interment was in St. Paul's Cemetery.

Arrangements were under the direction of The Kimble Funeral Home.

Edward R. Black, 94, of Princeton Junction, died December 11 at Arcadia Nursing Home, Hamilton Township.

A resident of Princeton most of his life, he attended the Business School of Philadelphia.

He was employed as a district manager. He retired from Washington National Insurance Co. of Trenton.

Mr. Black attended West Windsor Chapel and West Windsor Senior Citizens' Tennis.

Son of the late Benjamin Harris Black and Elizabeth Flitcraft, husband of the late Violet Maris Quigley and Lillian Agnes Rothmann, he is survived by a son, Frederick R. of Northport, N.Y.; a daughter, Arden E. Dodge of Lakewood, Colo.; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral service will be held Wednesday at 2 p.m. at The Kimble Funeral Home, 1 Hamilton Avenue.

Service will be conducted by the Rev. Dennis Gill of The Windsor Chapel Wednesday at Princeton Cemetery, following services at the funeral home.

Mitzi Machlup, 98, of Beachwood, Ohio, died December 8. She was a 25-year resident of Princeton.

She and her husband, Fritz Machlup, immigrated to the United States in 1936 and moved to Buffalo, N.Y., where Prof. Machlup was a professor of economics.

The family lived in Washington, D.C., during World War II, then moved to Baltimore, and then to Princeton.

She was an early member of Austrian Alpenskiverein, and was a ski racer under its auspices. She was also an amateur pianist who was much in demand as a chamber musician, and was a hospital volunteer in Princeton.

An auto accident in 1983 that involved a head injury inhibited her power of speech. She moved to Montefiore Home in Cleveland Heights, Ohio in 1984.

She is survived by a son, Stefan of Cleveland, Ohio; a daughter, Hanna Hastings, of Cambridge, Mass.; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Gretchen Southard Sachse, 64, of Ithaca, N.Y., died December 10 at the Hospicare Residence of melanoma.

She grew up in Princeton, where she graduated from Miss Fine's School. She received her A.B. from Vassar College in 1967 and a Ph.D. in Classics from Johns Hopkins University in 1970.

She moved to Ithaca in 1970, worked on saving the Clinton House, and was a member of the original restoration crew. She established the Latin program at what is now the Elizabeth Anne Clune Montessori School,

where she also taught history. She was the educator at the Dewitt Historical Society and taught at the Eight Square School from 1991 to 1997.

At the time of her death she was writing a book on the history of the Wharton Studios and the film industry in Ithaca.

She was a full-time volunteer and was instrumental in obtaining grant money for

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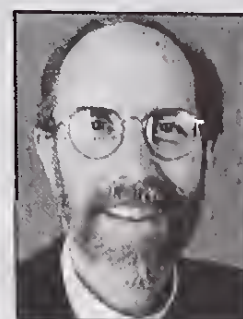
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THE HOLIDAY BLUES

By the Rev. Peter K. Stimpson



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QUESTION: I'm dreading Christmas. Every year at this time, I get a bad case of "the blues," and can't seem to shake them. My family gets frustrated with me, and I just don't understand why I'm down when everyone else is up. Help!

ANSWER: As a number of different people like yourself wrote to me with basically the same problem, let us spend more time with this concern.

To understand why many people get depressed during what most people picture as the happiest time of the year, we must look at what was and what might have been.

As regards what was, imagine someone whose parent or spouse has recently died. Their first Christmas alone finds their mind irresistibly drawn back to past holidays filled with laughter and joy, all the more intensifying their feeling of loss. While this phenomenon is normal, and while one adjusts to death with time, nonetheless, it is important to note that some remnant of this feeling will remain, the holidays forever having a twinge of pain amidst a season of cheer.

Far more difficult is the problem of what might have been. Imagine now someone who has recently been divorced. The holidays, a time when families are together with children "nestled in their beds" finds this person often bitterly separated from their spouse and grudgingly shuffling their children back and forth hoping to still foster some semblance of family. Knowing it could be different, this person agonizes over what could have been if only certain mistakes had not been made, usually in their mind by the other person.

The same is true for people whose past is anything but happy, perhaps having lived at odds with their parents, feeling that their parents never really cared. Imagine the pain of an adult child of an alcoholic or an adult survivor of incest. Watching numerous Christmas specials on television depicting unrealistically happy families arm in arm together before "the ol' yule log" may be torture, producing feelings of jealousy, sadness, and intense anger.

What can help? As regards what was, we need to cherish our memories, but realize that our loved ones would not want us to endlessly suffer. They would want us to go on, reassuring us that to enjoy today is not to be disrespectful to yesterday.

As regards what might have been, while it may be important to reflect on a past divorce to learn from our mistakes, it is not healthy to dwell on them. Instead of being stuck on what was lost in the past, it seems best to free ourselves to see what we have in the present. Dealing with emotional or physical abuse from childhood is far more difficult, probably requires therapy, expressing anger assertively when possible, and, ultimately, forgiveness.

Some of what underlies the holiday blues, though, is an innate desire to be perfectly happy. Unfortunately, this is an impossible task, for perfect happiness can only be attained through union with a perfect being, namely, God. Our earthly life, being limited, is, therefore, open to suffering. We all need to reflect upon the true meaning of Christmas and of life, realizing that Christ was born in a manger and died on a cross, but brought us each eternal salvation. That Christmas present will not fade or tarnish, its value being so wonderful as to bring a smile to our face, and, hopefully, us to Church to give thanks.

This Wellness column is funded through the generosity of a grant from the J. Seward Johnson, Sr. Charitable Trusts. If you would like Father Stimpson to answer a question of yours on family life, daily living or emotional health, you can write to him at: Trinity Counseling Service, 22 Stockton Street, Princeton, NJ 08540. Trinity Counseling Service provides clinical or pastoral counseling on a sliding fee scale for all who need help and support. Phone Trinity Counseling Service at 609-924-0060 to set an appointment.

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RELIGION

David Tracy to Deliver Public Lecture Dec. 16

David Tracy will deliver a public lecture at the Center of Theological Inquiry on Thursday, December 16, at 8 p.m. The title of his address is "The Hidden and Incomprehensible God."

Dr. Tracy is the Andrew Thomas Greeley and Grace McNichols Greeley Distinguished Service Professor of Theology at the Divinity School, University of Chicago, where he has taught since 1969. He holds the STL (Licentiate in Theology) and the STD (Doctorate in Theology), both from the Gregorian University in Rome. Among his honorary degrees are those conferred by the Catholic Theological Union (Chicago), Georgetown University and Williams College.

Prof. Tracy has been a guest lecturer at the Beijing Institute for the Scientific Study of Religion; Trinity College, Dublin; Gregorian University, Rome; the World Council of Churches, Geneva; Catholic University, Leuven; Lund University, Sweden; the Hartmann Institute, Jerusalem; and in countless colleges and universities in North America. Next spring he is scheduled to give the Gifford Lectures in Edinburgh, Scotland.

Prof. Tracy has twice been a member-in-residence at the Center, once in the fall of 1998 and again this autumn.



David Tracy

Bulletin Notes

The community is invited to a free candlelight concert at 7 p.m. Sunday, December 19, at **Princeton United Methodist Church**.

The chancel choir will perform Christmas carols, featuring the Renaissance music of the Engelchor Consort.

All are welcome. The church is located at 7 Vandeventer Avenue.

The Christian Science Reading Room, 178 Nassau Street, invites the community to a holiday open house December 18 and 19.

The open house on Saturday, the 18th, will be held from 10 to 4 and on Sunday, the 19th, from 1 to 4. A special lecture, "For They Shall Be Comforted," will be available through the internet and refreshments will be served.

Obituaries

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several organizations, including the Dewitt Historical Society and the Women's Rights National Park in Seneca Falls, N.Y. She was also a shepherd.

She is survived by her husband, Wolfgang; three children, Will, Erich, and Liesl; a sister, Gail Canzano of West Hartford, Conn.; and a brother, J. Ridgway Fell of Princeton.

Memorial contributions may be sent to the Tompkins County Public Library, Ithaca, N.Y.

Harold L. Warner, 86, of Penney Farms, Fla., formerly of Skillman, died December 10 at the Pavilion for Health Care, Penney Retirement Community, Penney Farms, Fla.

He was born in Bombay, India, the son of Ariel N. and Gertrude Leggett Warner, both Methodist missionaries.

During World War II he served in India as a weather forecaster for the Army Air Corps' flights over the Himalayas. He was a graduate of the University of Michigan and obtained his law degree from Georgetown University.

He lived in Skillman from 1958-1982. He was an attorney for Johnson & Johnson and also served as a municipal judge. He was active in the Princeton Methodist Church.

He moved to Florida in 1982, where he painted and taught watercolor classes.

He was predeceased by his only son, Stephen Henry, who died in Vietnam in 1971.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Esther S. Warner; a daughter, Victoria Warner of Ulster, Pa.; two grandchildren; a sister, Margaret Aldis of Fort Scott, Kansas; and a brother, Dr. John R. Warner of Clemson, S.C.

A memorial service was held at Penney Memorial Church, Penney Farms, Fla., on December 14.

Services will be held graveside Friday, December 17 at 2 p.m. at Princeton Cemetery. The Rev. James Harris will officiate.

New Jersey services are under the direction of Kimble funeral Home.

Cortland "Hankie" Williams, 76, of San Francisco, died December 3 at home.

Born in Princeton, he moved to San Francisco in 1977.

Educated in the Princeton public schools, he was a self-employed painter and paperhanger in Princeton before moving to the west coast. He retired from St. Mary's Hospital in San Francisco in 1997 after 20 years of service.

Son of the late James P. and Herbertine Dowers Williams, brother of the late James, E. Leroy, Clarence, and of Evelyn Williams Craig, he is survived by a daughter, Shamah A. Mas'udi of Trenton; a son, Edwin B. of Hopewell; brothers John of Colorado, Robert of Princeton, and Paul of Trenton; five grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and a dear friend, LeClara Bowen of Smithfield, Va.

There were no services.

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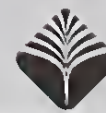
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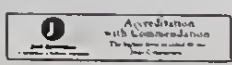
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83 HOPEWELL-PRINCETON ROAD, Michael Robinson. Sold to Thomas Kilbourne. \$124,000	28 ELLSWORTH DRIVE, Jacob Rosengarten. Sold to Erin Goldberg. \$402,000
PENNINGTON	
5 NOBBER DRIVE, Richard Dey. Sold to Guy Marsh. \$469,000	3 BEARDSLEY COURT, Craig Carnaroli. Sold to Andrew Pfeiffer. \$355,000
507 BOLLEN COURT, Robert Walling. Sold to Vijayanthimala Singh. \$184,000	30 PRIORY ROAD, Robert Coleman. Sold to Richard Cancro. \$423,000
75 WOODAMONSA ROAD, Raymond Sayre. Sold to Nelson Widell. \$310,000	32 CARTWRIGHT DRIVE, Lewis Coopersmith. Sold to Edmond Cunningham. \$310,000
8 LEWIS BROOK ROAD, William Helfern. Sold to Joseph Scott. \$305,000	36 SPRUCE STREET, Kevin McGrain. Sold to Steven Medina. \$535,000
83 CHICORY LANE, Thomas Sandford. Sold to Jing Junping. \$340,000	39 ZAITZ FARM ROAD, Brookline Estates. Sold to Satish Mishra. \$475,000
9 BONNER COURT, Geoffrey Henebry. Sold to Hammam Badr. \$269,000	4 DEAN COURT, Michael Donahue. Sold to Sundaresh Ganesan. \$420,000
ROCKY HILL	
2 LEMORE CIRCLE, Ary Hollingsworth. Sold to Hugh Lynch. \$328,000	4 MONTEREY DRIVE, Peter Liget. Sold to Thomas Humphries. \$332,000
40 WASHINGTON STREET, David Hayden. Sold to Stephen Hayden. \$216,666	4 SPRINGHILL DRIVE, Daniel Kessel. Sold to Knowheung Park. \$319,000
SKILLMAN	
23 OTTER CREEK ROAD, DKM Residential. Sold to Ann Gallagher. \$345,309	40 CONEFLOWER LANE, Drive Horton Inc. Sold to Jerome Domino. \$185,000
53 ZION-WERTSVILLE ROAD, Willy Bordt. Sold to John Miller. \$115,000	41 CARDINALFLOWER LANE, Drive Horton Inc. Sold to Dorothy Schnell. \$197,000
6 SANDPIPER COURT, Jody Garofalo. Sold to James Winzenreid. \$572,500	42 ZAITZ FARM ROAD, Brookline Estates. Sold to Limin Song. \$411,000
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1 BECKET COURT, Richard Lukas. Sold to Michael Cunningham. \$500,000	44 CONEFLOWER LANE, Drive Horton Inc. Sold to Sylvia Chasan. \$222,000
1 CARDINAL DRIVE, Walter Wahl. Sold to Cory Zwerling. \$670,000	46 ZAITZ FARM ROAD, Brookline Estates. Sold to Marcevir Bernardo. \$407,000
1 MILLBROOK DRIVE, John Tierney III. Sold to Oliver Madison. \$520,000	5 ARNOLO DRIVE, David Chou. Sold to Thomas Cooper. \$380,000
10 AMHERST WAY, Thomas McCarthy. Sold to Li Guo Shao. \$34,000	51 KELLEY PLACE, Robert Hansen. Sold to Diang Ou. \$174,000
10 EAST KINCAID DRIVE, Melanie Close. Sold to Warren Edels. \$475,000	51 PINFLOWER LANE, Drive Horton Inc. Sold to Lungwa Han. \$205,000
10 WINOSOR DRIVE, Robert Mullikin. Sold to Kim Yoon Kak. \$255,000	524 VILLAGE ROAD WEST, Mark Nicholas. Sold to Rajendra Patil. \$263,000
10 ZELOOF DRIVE, Clifford D'Brien. Sold to David Cors. \$373,000	60 CAMBRIDGE WAY, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. Sold to Tze Chuang Scheng. \$266,000
12 WINOSOR DRIVE, Christopher Moxham. Sold to Maureen Freedman. \$252,000	65 CONEFLOWER LANE, Drive Horton Inc. Sold to John Santillo. \$208,000
12 ZIFF LANE, Scott Ruoff. Sold to Omity Berezin. \$260,000	65 NORTH MILL ROAD, Arnold Hartman. Sold to Karen Polter. \$188,000
1313 OLO TRENTON ROAD, Thomas Chamberlin. Sold to Daniel Callahan. \$180,000	686 VILLAGE ROAD WEST, John Campbell. Sold to Sonia Youssel. \$254,000
14 EAST KINCAID DRIVE, Gary Robillard. Sold to Steven Dlgin. \$588,000	7 NORFOLK DRIVE, Robert Crowley Jr. Sold to Michael Cohen. \$472,000
14 LE PARC DRIVE, Makoto Shiom. Sold to Alan Bowman. \$410,000	80 SARATOGA DRIVE, Michael Cavali. Sold to Gary Clark. \$375,000
16 HAWTHORNE DRIVE, Joseph Kurp. Sold to Edward Pykon. \$435,000	9 CANDLEWOOD DRIVE, Mark Garyson. Sold to Timothy White. \$310,000
165 PRINCETON-HIGHTSTOWN ROAD, David Wilson. Sold to David Torres. \$163,000	9 TIFFANY COURT, Morris Ailey. Sold to John Lee. \$321,000
17 DEY FARM ROAD, Karen Narsavage. Sold to A. Dasim Majeed. \$300,000	91 WEST SHREWSBURY PLACE, Jeremiah Moore. Sold to Edward Long. \$151,000
17 GLACIER DRIVE, Conrad Leiser. Sold to Johanna Hendrix. \$570,000	928 ALEXANDER ROAD, Mary Matthews. Sold to Alex Merzhevsky. \$147,000
18 CLIFFVIEW COURT, Alliance Homes LLC. Sold to Robert Phillips. \$672,000	4 TRUMAN COURT, Tindall Homes. Sold to Lawrence Schaible. \$312,000

REAL ESTATE Notes

Princeton Junction resident **Ken Diener** recently joined Prudential Fox & Roach Realtors, 166 Nassau Street, as a broker associate.

A 31-year veteran of real estate sales and a multi-million dollar sales producer, Mr. Diener owned and operated Diener Associates Realtors for many years. He was twice named "Mercer County Realtor of the Year," and served as president of the Mercer County Board of Realtors for two years.

A former partner in U.S. Express Mortgage Company, as well, Mr. Diener also served as a sales trainer for a large national real estate franchise and was an adjunct professor at Mercer County Community College, where he taught real estate sales and investment courses.

Recognized by his peers for his superior marketing skills, Mr. Diener won a national award for writing radio commercials. He has served as a marketing consultant for other realtors.



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Five associates at Weichert Realtors' Princeton office, 35D Nassau Street, have been honored for recent achievements.

Ellen Lefkowitz was honored as the office's top producer, having the most listings sold in September, and for generating the most sales in October. An experienced real estate professional, Ms. Lefkowitz has been listing and selling homes for six years and has received a number of awards.

Pat Tappan was honored as the office's top producer for generating the most listings in September. Ms. Tappan has been listing and selling homes since 1984, and has earned a number of honors and awards during her career.

Pat Moran was honored as the office's top producer for generating the most sales in September. She has been a real estate professional since 1985, winning a number of awards.

Harriet Hudson was honored as the office's top producer for generating the most listings in October. Her sales performance has earned her numerous awards throughout her 11-year real estate career.

Ruth Uiberall was honored as the office's top producer for having the most listings sold in October. Ms. Uiberall is an experienced real estate salesperson and licensed broker who has been listing and selling homes since 1985.

The realtor has also honored two sales associates at its Princeton Junction office, 53 Princeton-Hightstown Road, for their achievements in September.

Anne Borella was honored as the company's South Jersey Regional top producer for generating the most sales in the month, and as the office's top producer, as well, for generating the most sales and the highest dollar volume in the month.

Ms. Borella is an experienced real estate professional who has been listing and selling homes since 1986. She has won a number of awards for her work.

Marlene Cantor, also an experience real estate salesperson and relocation specialist, was honored for generating the most revenue units and the most listings in the month.

Recognized as the Princeton Junction office's top sales associate in 1998, she has closed more than 375 real estate transactions during her career.



Anji Goyal

Smila Shah

Dawn Petrozzi and **Anji Goyal**, both associates with Re/Max of Princeton, 6DD Alexander Road, have been named to the Re/Max of New Jersey Top 50 list for the highest commissions for the month of September.

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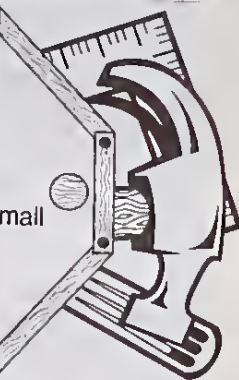
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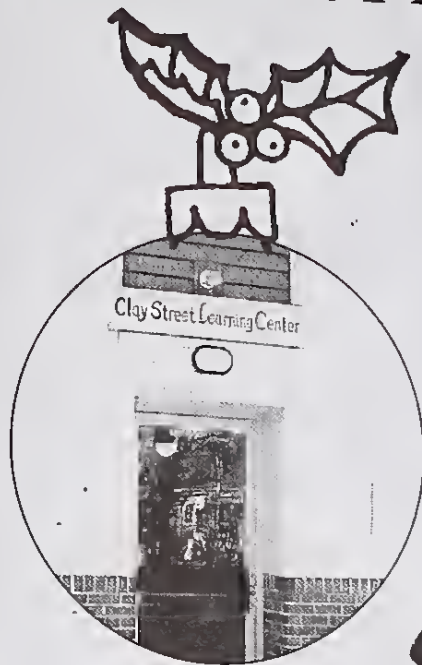


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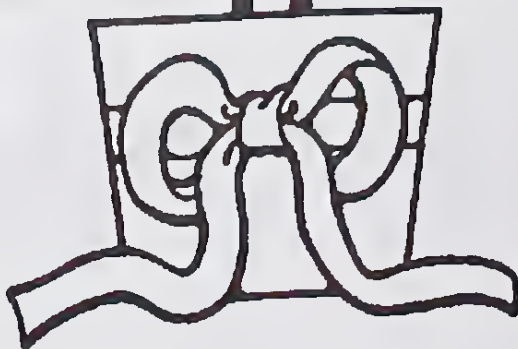
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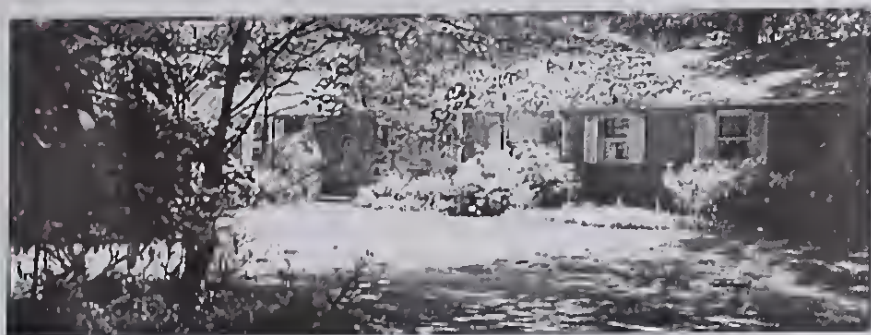
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